

STOP HUNTINGDON ANIMAL CRUELTY

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THE YEAR HLS GOT SMASHED

2002: THE YEAR TO FINISH 'EM OFF

Background

About HLS

Huntingdon Life Sciences (HLS) is a contract animal testing laboratory. They test weedkillers, pesticides, drugs and household products on animals to enable big businesses to get thier products on the market quickly and cheaply. HLS has been exposed five times in the last ten years for animal cruelty and incompetence. We proved them to be breaking the law on many ocassions, but the government still do nothing.

About SHAC

SHAC was set up at the end of 1999 by the same activists who set up campaigns to close down Consort beagle breeders and Hillgrove cat farm. The campaign has grown since then with a huge mailing list, hundreds of hits on the website every day and constant national publicity.

By targetting shareholders, stockbrokers and bankers, SHAC has caused a collapse in HLS's shares. Merrill Lynch, Charles Schwab, Winterflood Securities and Royal Bank of Scotland are among the institutions that have severed links with the firm. More recently, customers have been pulling out of HLS.

SHAC will never turn its back on the animals in HLS. This is why the animal rights movement has pulled together and is targetting HLS both locally and internationally - the animals have no one else but us. We will not fail them.

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Editorial

2001 certainly has been the year that HLS was SMASHED. Straight from the start of the year we had the lab on the ropes, as it was just a mere few hours from foreclosure (before Stephens Inc stepped in). Throughout this last year the pressure has only intensified and for every investor, customer, employee, and pound HLS lost – the animal rights movement gained another supporter, a SHAC chapter was started in another country, another idea was hatched, and we all moved one day closer to victory.

You can often judge the effectiveness of your tactics by your enemy's response. For HLS and their corrupt political allies, they have over the last two months attempted an orchestrated series of arrests and hallow financial announcements that were devised to sink our spirits. What we have witnessed instead has been an amazing resurgence in enthusiasm and anger that has been so fierce in intensity and so cunning in strategies that it has left HLS staggering again on the brink of financial collapse.

Tragedies, such as the loss of one our movement's great freedom fighters: Barry Horne, have also showcased our determination and resolve. Barry Horne's death and the imprisonment of several SHAC volunteers should kick start all of us and serve as a reminder that if we want places like HLS to close we must do it ourselves and waste no more time with empty political promises or trust in so called police integrity.

May the words, actions, and life of Barry Horne serve as nourishment to our movement – one that is hungry for justice and hungry for victory.

As 2001 comes to a close and we start our third year of this epic campaign, we must take a moment to reflect upon and be inspired by our collective success so far. The ingenuity, commitment, passion, and fury that have been seen falls nothing short of other great historical struggles for justice. Armed with our potential and thirst for success, we must go forward this next year focused, determined, angry, and ready to do whatever is necessary to get the job done.

When this campaign was started, SHAC made a promise to the animal rights movement and to HLS – that we are going to close that vile lab down and we will not rest until that righteous day. There has never been a point where anyone in this campaign has ever questioned whether that day would come. It is a fact – and it is as simple as that.

What was never promised to anyone, however, was that this would be an easy task. The animal rights movement is called a struggle for a reason – because it is. Campaigns of this size and significance require nothing short of blood, sweat and tears. Although we are unwavering and will not falter in our commitment to close this hellhole down, what we must not ever forget is that in the meantime 500 animals are dying every single day and we don't have a minute to waste. Let's double our efforts and destroy HLS!

2002 – The Year to Finish 'Em Off!

Bank of America Exposed

Three hundred of us turned up outside the offices of the Bank of America in Bromley for the last national demonstration against HLS in 2001 and held a procession through the town, in order to let the residents know that they have disgraceful HLS collaborators in their midst.

The street in front of the bank was packed out with people of all ages chanting for the closure of HLS and screaming for the Bank to sever ties with this filthy laboratory and Stephens Inc: the company keeping them from closure. They have the choice – they sever their ties or we end their relationship with HLS for them.

We had made the point to the Bank of America that in the following months, along side Stephens Inc and Barclays, they are to become our most hated targets in the fight to shut down HLS, before deciding it was time to move off and wake up the Christmas shoppers!

The police tried to stop us and for a while they succeeded but, in true SHAC national style, we soon got out and onto the roads, which were promptly closed off. These demos are great because the more disruption we cause, the more people get to hear about the animal killers at HLS and the companies keeping them open – the last thing the Bank of America wanted was for their home town to be packed out with animal rights campaigners blackening their name.



We got onto the high street and made one hell of a racket, and those of us who could went out and passed out fliers to the public, whilst everyone else held a sit down protest in the middle of the road!

Afterwards, we went off to [redacted] home of **Personal details removed** Andrew Stafford–Deitsch who is the UK head at Stephens Inc. Some of us got to the house and banged on his door before police quickly arrived and moved us to the bottom of his road. Loads more people arrived and the noise levels soon went sky high with megaphones, sirens and whistles on the go. We heard shouting from outside the house and could see that some protestors had managed to sneak past the cops and were outside his house giving him hell!

After an hour, we left vowing to return and shame this filthy man as many times as it takes until he pulls the plug on HLS. Since the demo, we have been contacted by some of his neighbours, as well as many people who saw the demo in Bromley, who want information on how they can help rid their area of these abusers and close down HLS.

For more information on Stephens Inc. see p.10/11.

Smashing HLS all year round

We arrived at HLS on Christmas morning to remind the animal abusers that as there is no escape for the animals, there is no escape for the monsters who poison them. By late morning, there were almost 30 people in attendance with banners, megaphones, placards and miles of purple ribbon which was plastered all over the fence.

Any workers coming in and out were screamed at and told exactly what filth they are. These are the real sickos: the people who come in on Christmas morning to force more poison down the necks of those terrified animals.

The security guards thought they would amuse themselves by broadcasting Christmas carols over the PA system, they soon turned it off though when our far less civil version of jingle bells began to blast out of the megaphones we had rigged up to a car radio!

After all of the sickos had gone home to play at happy families, we decided to pay some of them a visit and spread the festive cheer, after all they say that 'charity begins at home'!

We visited Paul and Amanda Brooker of [redacted] e two sadists both poison animals to death in the toxicology department at HLS and it was our pleasure to bang on their door, ruin their day, scream at them, drag loads of coppers into their street and humiliate them in front of their neighbours on Christmas day.

Later on in the day, some of us went to HLS's beagle supplier, Interfauna, and tied purple ribbons all over the gates in celebration that this is the most raided animal breeder in the country. There are hundreds of beagles locked away inside Interfauna which comprises of several, windowless sheds surrounded by miles of razor wire. When the dogs are not barking and howling, all you can hear is the monotonous drone of extractor fans. The sight of this concentration camp and the sound of beagles barking, howling and whimpering for some love and affection was one of the most heartbreaking things we had come across for a long time. Those animals are inside there right now waiting to be boxed up, sold and sent off to be poisoned to death. Animal torture is a lucrative business for Interfauna: they sell 3 month old puppies to HLS for £475 each.

Let's make 2002 the year we finally finish HLS off and spend as much time as we can forcing them to close - the animals are depending on it.

Barclays - new focus

Barclays are to become the new focus for the campaign due to their financial connections with Stephens Inc.

Barclays will bring HLS to the high street again and they can look forward to Natwest style actions. Natwest will tell them that they had activists inside, outside and on top of their banks up and down the country.

If you work for Barclays, we would be happy to hear from you. Any information will be gratefully received.

As you will see on your calender insert, there are several local Barclays actions which anyone can participate in.

For more information on the connection between Barclays and HLS see p.10/11.

News in Brief

Provisional HLS campaign

Some of you may have received a mini newsletter from a group calling itself "The Provisional HLS Campaign." This organisation is not SHAC, and no volunteer at SHAC has any knowledge of this organisation outside of what was stated in their newsletter.
The newsletter contains information on how to make harassing phone calls, how not to get caught doing so, the importance of direct action activism, the contact information of directors related to Stephens Inc, and the prison addresses for those currently being held for alleged offenses relating to protests activity at HLS.

Shell decorated!

Recently, a SHAC volunteer passing through Corley services in the Midlands noticed that the Shell garage there had 'ALF' spraypainted all over it's bright logos.

Punk gig in memory of Barry Horne

The makers of the benefit CD advertised in the last newsletter are holding a punk gig in memory of Barry Horne. SHAC will be holding a stall there along with other animal rights organisations. It is on Sunday 7th April from 12noon until midnight at the Astoria, London. Tickets are £15 and are available from The Astoria or online at: www.mortarhate.co.uk. For more info tel: [redacted]

ALF expose workers

The ALF was busy over the new year, making sure that as we enter 2002 there is no let up on the pressure for this evil company to close.
We received the following anonymous communiqué:
"On New Years Eve, bridges on the A14 near Huntingdon were decorated with slogans containing workers' home phone numbers. Text such as 'HLS workers [redacted] was used. Nice to have a bit of free advertising!"

Singled out and shamed



When we heard that HLS were to appear at the Annual CEO and Investor Conference organised by the Bio Industry Association we could not believe our luck – what better chance to single HLS out and humiliate them then in front of the top people within the industry they rely on to exist.
Before the conference, anyone who had any influence over the event, including the organisers, the sponsors, the hotel and the dinner venue, were contacted and warned of the trouble HLS would bring with them, as well as being informed of the evil that is Huntingdon Life Sciences.
Whilst some of these companies refused to talk, others took the info and said they would get back to us with a decision on whether HLS would be allowed to attend. We got tired of waiting for them so their names were blackened on our website and their details were mailed out to the hundreds of people on our email alert list.

Protestors began screaming for the HLS abusers to get outside and answer to them

Over the next few days these companies were all bombarded with emails, faxes, phone calls and letters warning that the event would be disrupted if HLS were not thrown out. The conference organisers pulled their website down and removed all information on who was attending, who was sponsoring and who was organising, but it was too late. People had the info and they were putting it to use - by the next day we had reconstructed their website and put it back on the Internet for all to see!

Day 1

20 people arrived outside the hotel which was packed with police officers both inside and out. Protestors began screaming for the HLS abusers to get outside and answer to them. Drums were banging and sirens wailing as the police steamed in to try and stop the noise – they were shoved away and we carried on with the demo as more people continued to arrive throughout the day. By the time the conference goers went over the road to have their 'themed dinner' in the British Library there were around 50 people there, all of whom were fired up and ready to give hell to HLS and anybody daring to sit down to dinner with them and discuss business. The noise was ferocious and staff at the Library commented that it could be heard in every room! Then they appeared - 20 or so misfits in suits came out of the Library back into their hotel – people were enraged and left them with a warning that any company or individual who uses HLS will face the consequences! The demo went on outside the hotel bar until late that night, ensuring that there was no rest for the wicked.

Day 2

People arrived early in the morning to wake up the conference goers, the police had put a curfew on noise making, apparently it is anti-social behaviour to wake up filthy animal killers before 8:00am – we say it would have been rude not to!
The megaphones, drums and whistles came out and by dinner time there were 20 people there again all shaming HLS, the hotel and those who have anything to do with them until mid afternoon when the conference goers left to the loud, clear message to STAY AWAY FROM HLS!

HLS beagle supplier raided



On the evening of December 5th, members of the Animal Liberation Front broke into one of HLS' animal suppliers in the USA and saved 40 animals from being butchered to death by the monsters at HLS and other labs.
The action was dedicated to Barry Horne and the following communiqué was released by the ALF detailing how the raid took place and warning HLS that they face further direct action:

"On the evening of December 5th, we visited Marshall Farms in upstate NY, liberating 30 beagle puppies and 10 ferrets. After outsmarting constant security patrols, we scaled the electrified fence, breaking through the door of one of the approximately 50 sheds of animals. Inside, we found hundreds of beagle puppies waiting to be shipped to vivisection labs, transferred from one small cage to another, destined to be killed. Before the next security patrol, we packed up 30 puppies and 10 ferrets and stole away into the night with them, taking them away from their hellish life, and giving them a life filled with freedom and joy.
As a breeder for Huntingdon Life Sciences, Marshall Farms would have ensured that these animals had a tortured, painful life suffering in labs. Beagles are routinely poisoned to death and abused at the hands of callous workers at HLS. Workers have been caught punching beagle puppies in the face, shaking them and throwing them against walls, and dissecting living animals for 'research data' that even technicians admit is faulty. These 40 animals will never have to endure such brutal conditions. This action is dedicated to Barry Horne, whose life's work brought attention to the suffering of animals in laboratories everywhere, and whose actions inspired people who care about animals to act on their behalf, even if it means risking your freedom for theirs. Let this action serve as a warning to all who aid Huntingdon Life Sciences in killing 500 innocent victims every day that you cannot hide from justice."

ALF

HLS pleads guilty to company law breach

On 12th November HLS pleaded guilty to breaching company law by not holding an AGM within 15 months of their previous one.



Although they could have received a £5000 fine for this, the court was lenient on them and let them off on an unconditional discharge and even refused costs, although this was a private prosection.

HLS's reasoning for not holding the meeting was that no one was prepared to offer them space to do so. The hosts of the meeting the previous year pulled out as soon as they heard that a lot of protestors were planning to attend. HLS tried all their other contacts but to no avail, showing how weak their friendships are. This is a good victory and paves the way for prosecutions against the individual directors of HLS for breaching the same law.

LSR fiasco

On January 29th, 2001, HLS supporters claimed victory after Stephens Inc bailed out the lab with a £22.5 million loan, saving it from foreclosure. HLS supporters cheered, foolishly believing that this gave HLS more than sufficient time to finally make a profit and begin to payoff its creditors.

Nine months later, after countless damaging financial blows delivered to HLS from SHAC, Huntingdon was again on its last leg and announced their most desperate plan for survival yet – completely moving their financial listing to the US.

In moving to the US, HLS has had to eat its words and is playing out its last card. Life Sciences Research (LSR): the shell company that is acquiring HLS, was meant to have completed the transaction of moving HLS to the US in November. Not once, not twice, but three times (to date) this transaction has failed to go through. Losing face in the financial world is something HLS is quite used to – but the consistent delays of this move is a testimony to HLS's own incompetence and the strength of the SHAC campaign in the US.

The deal has failed to go through for two reasons. First, HLS can do nothing right – they have routinely failed to file the most basic forms to the Securities and Exchange Commission in the US, perhaps on purpose to delay measures because of reason two. Secondly, SHAC-USA has eliminated every market maker for HLS and has sent out advisory warnings to all other market makers for the US stock exchanges asking them not to touch Huntingdon. Without a market maker HLS cannot complete the transaction.

The extra time it has taken HLS to complete the move has also given current shareholders more of an opportunity to look at the proposed deal. Some of HLS's most staunch supporters have recently complained of being "financially raped" and getting "screwed" by HLS management. HLS is being diluted in the move to where current shareholders will only own 85% of what they used too. This move, that stabs the bulk of HLS's shareholders in the back, only works to the favour of Stephens Inc and Andrew Baker (current Chief Executive Officer of HLS) as they will accumulate the untouched 15% of the LSR shares.

From any direction you look at HLS becoming LSR in the US – it is an embarassment to the company.The desperation, serious financial woes, complete abandonment of financiers in this country, and its failure to go through shows that SHAC-USA is making the US just as inhospitable for animal cruelty as we have here. As HLS's desperation grows so does our determination.

City demo heads for Bank of America

20 people met at Kensington High Street and moved on to the Bank of America's UK Head Office at Alie Street whilst other people were off trying to get in the offices of companies connected to Andrew Stafford–Deitsch. At the Bank, police immediately made a dash for the doors and blocked them so that we couldn't get in. The noise began immediately with people banging drums, on the megaphone, blowing whistles and chanting 'close down HLS'. Before long, a load of the workers were looking down from above at what was going on below, this was great because while they were looking at us they were not working! It was soon lunchtime and the workers who began to come outside had to face the noise and the questions about why they work for an animal killing bank. The noise carried on and more people arrived. A street full of us shouting and clogged up with riot vans couldn't help but draw attention to the Bank of America and their dealings with HLS! Everyone then marched off to another Bank of America office chanting and passing out leaflets as they went along – it is good for general City workers to see us, as it reminds all of the investment firms that if you deal with HLS, you face protests.

At the next office, by a busy road in a residential area, the noise soon picked up when we arrived, as did the number of coppers present! Everyone kept it up all afternoon as dozens of cars drove past seeing the banner proclaiming 'Bank of America – Collaborators in Animal Torture at HLS' and all of the neighbours were leafleted.

The workers left and were all informed what people think of them working for an animal abusing bank, before everyone went home, happy in the knowledge that they had spent another day smashing HLS' supporters.



London calling!

City demos vital to HLS's demise

The City of London is home to the main offices and UK Headquarters of all the top HLS collaborators. These offices are ultimately where any decisions relating to the future of HLS will be made. Stephens Inc, Barclays and the Bank of America all have offices, call centres and other sites in London and it is London where many of their directors live.

If we want to give these companies the slamming of their lifetime and force them to drop HLS, then London is the place to be. From the beginning of the campaign we have always had City demos and days of action in and around London. This has been one of the major influences in HLS being dropped time and time again by some of the world's largest financial institutions.

The decision makers of companies such as Barclays do not want people turning up out of the blue outside their offices and banging drums, blowing whistles, setting off air horns and shouting down megaphones. They do not want people to be running screaming into their plush office blocks, followed by scores of police officers and press. The last thing these companies want is unhappy employees and publicity about the fact that they deal with HLS. Well, with a load of protestors on their doorstep, riot van loads of police and lots and lots of noise that is exactly what they get a number of times every month.

In the past, people have got into offices, barricaded themselves in, climbed on the roofs, leafleted employees inside of their work places and caused absolute mayhem with police who have even gone as far as shutting off the trains to stop people getting to places before they had enough back up!

Actions and demos in London are both exciting and effective – there is something for us all to do whether it is handing out leaflets on the other side of the road, getting on the roof, making one hell of a noise or holding placards.

Over the next couple of months we are asking everyone to try as hard as they can to get to the demos in London as they really are one of the most effective ways of getting companies to dump HLS. The more people who come, the more we can achieve, so please take a day off work, call in sick or do whatever you need to do you get there – the animals need YOU!

The demos usually meet up at one place and then move off around London, hitting a number of companies throughout the day. People who want to do so give us their mobiles and get diverted to other offices so they can run inside without hassle from the police, whilst everybody else just goes to the meeting point and starts their demo from there.

These demos really are a brilliant way to target HLS as there is something for everyone to do and whatever you do has a direct effect on the companies propping up HLS.

If you are coming to these demos, please let us know and please make sure that once you get into London you buy a zone 1-6 travel card (these are about £5 but if you are skint we can get you one) which will allow you to travel anywhere on the tube all day long. We bring leaflets, posters, megaphones and banners but bring some along too if you can. For more information about the London demos, please give us a ring at the office as we are happy to help.

LET'S WAKE UP THE INVESTORS – SEE YOU ON THE NEXT ONE!



"Your secrets are our secrets"



This helpless monkey was found by activists outside Covance's labs.

The beagles pictured right were bred by Marshall Farms for Aventis in France. Let's look forward to more puppies being liberated like the ones here.





Over the past few months animal rights activists all over the world have proved how easy it is to gain access to vivisection laboratories, no matter how high the security. This has enabled them to take photos and reveal confidential information.

The three different exposés detailed below show three different ways of leaking information: The Group: where several activists obviously climb the fence or run in and gather as much information, as quickly as possible.

The Blend-in : where one or more individuals try to look similar to staff with the aim of not being noticed and therefore allowing more time to acculmulate information.

Covert Investigations: this involves more time and would involve becoming an employee of that company and secretly leaking information.

In Germany 20 activists climbed over the fence into HLS' competitor, Covance. Once inside, they found that most of the doors were locked, but they did come across this rotting primate discarded outside (pictured left). They also photographed monkeys in cages and various animal cages and vivisection equipment.

Soon after this, SHAC France emailed us telling us of an extensive undercover investigation they had done into HLS customer, Aventis.They revealed from Aventis Pharma SA, 20 Quai de la Revolution, 94140 Alfortville that it houses 250 beagles, 200 monkeys and many mice, rabbits and rats. They sent us photos of beagles in cages waiting to be tortured (pictured left). The pictures were taken in Summer, 2001.

For more information see: http://www.oipaitalia.org/aventis.html.

Below is a report from Lynn Sawyer about her day inside HLS. Read on to see how she did it...

Walking in

I drove through the gates unchallenged and parked my car amongst the workers' cars. The natives of HLS appeared to be more than happy for animal rights activists to roam around within the perimeter and one of them even opened the door to building M12. I went onwards into the laboratory. Posters advertising SIMR (Seriously Ill for Medical Research) were predominant as were signs warning about rabies contamination. How lucky for the local population that I am not a terrorist. If I was intent on gaining access to pathogens for the purpose of wrecking biological warfare it would have been so easy. Gowns and masks were seen behind locked doors bathed in an eerie blue light. The rats were also behind locked doors. I also found a room which contained inhalation apparatus large enough to torment dozens of innocent, defenceless victims at once.

I knew that I would not be able to leave without being caught, so I found a small office and barricaded myself in. It was some time before a woman phoned on 2763 to say that she couldn't get into her office and that she needed the key. I explained that it would not be possible to allow her in and security finally woke up and came to see me about an hour after I had set up the HLS branch of SHAC. Ardent supporter of SHAC demos and road safety expert extraordinaire, Sgt Ken Smith (PC 57) then emerged to ensure that the HLS workers did not "harm me or use weapons when removing me!" I was behind the desk which was blocking the door and so they decided to dismantle one of the walls to the room I was in. This was obviously going to take some time and I was reminded, frequently, that I was preventing HLS staff from working. I did ask to see Brian Cass and for the unconditional surrender of HLS. As neither request was forthcoming, I stayed put reading through supposedly confidential files which detailed how HLS workers take vaginal swabs from rats and mice every day for 10 days prior to mating them. I was rebuked by the police and HLS staff for reading this but they could only look on helplessly! Eventually, after three hours, a man drilled through the wall enough to allow Ken to kick it down and arrest me for vagrancy, burglary, abstracting electricity and criminal damage.

I was then taken to Huntingdon police station where Ken was very keen to repeatedly point out to the custody sergeant that I was on bail for burglary, that I had been in all the papers the previous week (the guy who let me into HLS in the first place thought he recognised me) and that I needed a very thorough search to make sure that I did not have a security pass (who really needs one with such lax 'security'?).He even wanted my house searched, as well as the home of anyone else I may have been in contact with. However, I must admit that the police for once behaved themselves and I was granted bail to return at a later date. The interview was interesting with neither the police nor HLS knowing whether I had gone alone, how long I had been there, what I had seen, or done, or photographed etc.

HLS, just like any other lab or institution, is pitifully easy to gain access to with minimal preparation. Just remember, at military installations peace campaigners gained access to the nation's nuclear arsenal, bypassing trained soldiers. All we have to outwit are a few so-called security guards whom, even Cambridgeshire police would not allow in and whom, by any stretch of the imagination, are not the brightest buttons in the box. Their secrets, and those of their customers, are our secrets and we have easy access to them, which is hardly conducive to the continuation of this sick and twisted company.

October 29th - International Day of Action

The 29th October turned out to be a fantastic day which brought together compassionate people all over the world campaigning for the closure of HLS. Listed below are just some of the actions that happened on the day.

England

Activists split into two groups and headed for London with the police in hot pursuit.

100 activists jumped on the tube. The police tried to outmanoeuvre everyone by stopping the tube but everyone used their initiative by switching lines and arrived at Waterloo. The police formed a line on the bridge leading from the train station to Shell's huge headquarters. The protestors were angry and determined to get to the torturers' offices and were soon running across the road in an attempt to storm the building. The Met' came from the other side and threw demonstrators to the ground, showing their true nature yet again. Anti-Shell stickers were stuck up everywhere and the immense noise could be heard for miles around. The police penned everyone in outside the main entrance thinking they had messed up our day but they couldn't have kept us in a better place. Soon smoke bombs and bangers started going off with the workers looking down in horror.

Seeing as we were stuck outside Shell's HQ, we decided to make as much noise and annoyance as possible. No worker inside that building could have been able to concentrate with alarms, air horns, drums, shouting, megaphones and sirens outside their offices.

Meanwhile, 60 other activists travelled to Merck on the tube accompanied by 40 police. Merck is situated in a residential street so all their neighbours were leafleted and a huge racket was made. The protest soon moved to JP Morgan's (HLS shareholder) and Sumitomo (HLS customer). Protestors tried to storm the building and subsequently all the doors were chained shut by security. The noise here was deafening as protestors stood around the building. The police started to pen people in but everyone broke off and headed for Shell director, Frederick Cool. Despite being held at the end of the road by the police, the noise must have been heard by the whole street. A protestor explained that Frederick Cool of [redacted] funds animal torture at HLS.

The day was not finished yet - the other group had moved out of London to Shell director, Mark Gainsborough of [redacted] Herts. 30 protestors in skull masks stood screaming and shouting outside his house demanding action. His wife was seen running out of the living room - she obviously didn't want to see the posters of mutilated puppies - she didn't want to know what her husband is really involved in.

Austria

Many actions were held from 27th - 29th. Actions included a demo at Dow Chemicals in Vienna, a demo at a Shell petrol station - the HLS video was shown to customers and a Shell Austria HQ demo.

Holland

A dozen activists held a rooftop demo at a Shell garage. The whole time they were there only three people got petrol. A Shell customer also tried to run over a protestor, their car wasn't a pretty site after the activists had finished!

Germany



Five actions were held: a shareholder demo and four demos across the country at different Dow Chemical sites. They were at Ahlen, Munich, Dusseldorf and Schwalbach.
All demos were visual and activists handed out plenty of leaflets and stuck up loads of stickers.

Japan

20 members of Animal Rights Canted and Japan Anti-Vivisection Association attended a pre-organised meeting with Yamanouchi employees at their headquarters in Tokyo. They asked them specific questions about their relationship with HLS. Afterwards they held a demo outside where they handed out leaflets, exposing Yamanouchi to be the murderers that they really are.

Switzerland



Over 60 anti-vivisection protestors gathered in Horgen. With posters, banners and a megaphone they marched 2km to Dow Chemical HQ. After a one hour demo outside the offices, they marched around the town again informing the local citizens of the nearby animal abusers that employ many of the town's residents.

South Africa

Justice for Animals issued a press release stating that they were having a day of phone, fax and email blockades. They also announced the launch of their campaign against Shell.

Australia



20 protestors targeted Shell in Melbourne. They plastered the petrol pumps with stickers and placed leaflets all around the forecourt. 400 leaflets were given out and the demo was covered by local press.

Argentina

A stall with HLS banners and leaflets in Spanish was held outside their local Shell garage.

Italy

In Milan around 40 protestors met and held noisy, visual demos at both Aventis and Bayer (HLS customers). They handed out 3000 leaflets to members of the public.

For more in depth reports see www.shac.net or www.shacusa.net.

SHAC around the world

Not only are there many many local SHAC groups around Britain, there are also international SHAC groups. SHAC Germany have their own website dedicated to SHAC news and actions.
SHAC France have sent us inside information (see p.7) on Aventis (HLS customer) including photos of beagles inside the laboratory and information on the layout of the site in France.
SHAC Australia have also formed as they wish to target Shell on a regular basis.
All our contacts abroad have been contacted about their local Bank of Amercia branches. Many have committed to start targetting them. Soon to be launched is www.shaceurope.net with information on who to target and how.
If you've got any contacts abroad, please contact us at info@shaceurope.net.

NEWS FROM SHAC USA

Nowhere to run, nowhere to hide.

The campaign to shut down HLS in the United States has shifted into high gear over the past six weeks. Activists from all across the country have focused all their attention on smashing Stephens Inc. and hitting HLS hard. The pressure begins to mount and it's only a matter of time before the two crumble from it. The above ground movement has been targeting Stephens and their executives at work and at home sending a direct message: there is nowhere to run, nowhere to hide. Meanwhile, the underground movement has redirected its energy into smashing HLS and Stephens Inc, causing economic damage and liberating animals. The campaign and the US animal rights movement in general, has never been so energized, so focused and so direct in their message: we WILL shut them down!

October 29th was a rallying cry for the US movement as activists descended upon Little Rock, AR – home base for Warren Stephens and Stephens Inc. SHAC USA hosted a number of events during the weekend, holding a town meeting and workshops educating activists and the general public about the atrocities going on inside HLS. A number of fantastic speakers addressed the crowd, including renowned ethicist Tom Reagan and activist Michelle Rokke. The next day saw hundreds of people descending on Warren Stephen's home and the home of Michael R. Smith, Warren's neighbor and soon to be promoted Executive Vice President, sending the local police into a frenzy. They turned Warren's neighborhood into a war zone, with riot police, police vehicles and a circling helicopter. October 29th: a day Warren insisted would be business as usual in downtown Little Rock, and the police claiming they were "ready for anything".

Stephens Inc. worked furiously to get SHAC to settle the RICO lawsuit so that restrictions on demonstration behaviour could be enforced. When SHAC told Stephens to take a hike, that we were not settling and would fight the lawsuit, Stephens and their disproportionate political hold on the city of Little Rock, bought and sold a blatantly unconstitutional ordinance placing stipulations on protests in the city. Passed in one night, the ordinance required that organizations sponsoring demonstrations pay $25 to apply for a permit, provide adequate sanitation, parking, etc., and stay in a designated "protest zone". Upon arrival, activists were searched before entering the protest zone and those with gas masks were denied entry. Refusing to be



caged like the animals we are fighting for, the protest quickly turned into a march around downtown Little Rock. The police quickly realized they were not "ready for anything.

They stood there in disbelief as we literally took over the city. It was not "business as usual" by any stretch of the imagination as employees inside the Stephens building remained glued to the windows watching the activists below.

Returning to the Stephens building, activists led impassioned chants and speakouts as the crowd let forth its anger over Stephens' support of a company that tortures animals for profit. Soon the barricades, designed to contain the protesters came down. Over and over in this campaign, we have seen people refuse to sit idly by while HLS poisons animals – today would be no different. The police reacted with unnecessary violence towards the protesters: firing rubber bullets, tear gas and concussion grenades into the crowd. Ten protesters were arrested.

Always one step ahead of the police and Stephens, and never deterred by arrests, the protest again marched around the Stephens building and headed for the Bank of America. Beating the police to the building, activists protested against the Bank of America's business relationship with Stephens, encouraging the bank to sever ties with Stephens.

The protest rounded up in the back of the Stephens' building as protesters informed dozens of employees, peering down over the ledges of Stephens's investment in animal cruelty. In one last show of brute and unthinking force, police on horses charged into the crowd beating protesters and arresting those they suspected as 'leaders'.

All in all, it was an exciting, effective demonstration, sending home a very clear message to Warren Stephens that it will NOT be "business as usual" for as long as Stephens continues to fund animal torture!

SHAC USA has taken to the road, holding demonstrations and public forums at every Stephens Inc office across the country. So far offices have been targeted along with executives homes at any given time: morning or night, and even employees targeted at the train station on their morning commute. Their homes are also becoming the 'Investor of the Week' encouraging activists to register their complaints via phone, email and fax. Subsequently, these offices and homes are becoming targets of more anonymous attacks by "sticker brigades" in Chicago, Dallas and New York City. Random, masked activists have also been appearing on the doorsteps of executives' homes letting them know just how they feel about Stephens' investment in cruelty.

Likewise, the underground movement has really focused their attention on smashing HLS and Stephens Inc. Bank of America's ties with Stephens Inc has made them a target of direct action in the last month. Bank machines have been wheat pasted, stickered, and had their card slots and number pads gummed up with glue. Bank of America also had 30 of their windows smashed in Long Island NY. The Stephens StiNC 'campaign' has moved forward as well. The Stephens office in Texas was the victim of a stink bomb attack as was the Bank of America building in Seattle. This was the second attack on the Seattle headquarters. Again, the results were the same – floors evacuated and city blocks shut down. Stephens Inc offices in downtown New York City have had their front doors, windows and front walk covered in red paint and anti-HLS slogans. Perhaps best of all, Christmas came early this year for 30 beagle puppies and 10 ferrets when they were liberated from Marshall Farms in upstate NY, a breeder that supplies HLS.

The campaign to close HLS has become the most exciting and headstrong campaigns the US has ever seen. Warren Stephens' bloody investment in cruelty have made him public enemy #1 – and he's feeling it. We won't let up until he gives up and we won't stop until HLS crumbles before us. The message has been sent – there's nowhere to run, nowhere to hide!



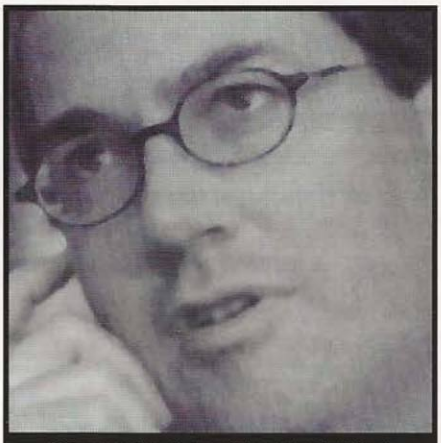
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For all practical purposes on January 29th, 2001 we had finished HLS, they were in the process of filing papers for foreclosure when Stephen's Inc of the United States, the biggest shareholder, stepped in and robbed the animals of their salvation. Stephens Inc was the only company stupid enough and ethically corrupt enough to step in and become the 'white knight' to HLS and we must make sure an example is made of this investment banking company. The significance of Stephens as a target can not be overestimated – they are literally responsible for every single animal poisoned at killed at HLS every day since the end of January.

To close down HLS at this point comes down to the square root of Stephens. There is no other company that will step in, not another ally foolish enough to cross our path. To destroy HLS we must destroy Stephens Inc as they are now essentially one and the same. Stephens acts as not only the biggest shareholder and chief financier for HLS – but is also facilitating the LSR (Life Sciences Research) proposal to take HLS to the US and acquiring more shares. Throughout 2001 Stephens has additionally given this failing laboratory over £2,000 000 in loans to keep it afloat.

Holed up in the deep South of the U.S., Stephens had thought they would escape our wrath. Fortunately, SHAC-USA has waged a war against every Stephens office across the States and brought the full force of the US animal rights movement to their doorsteps. Phone lines have been flooded, email systems are overflowing with com-



Warren Stephens: The man behind Stephens Inc.

plaints, their doorbells are ringing, and their offices are being occupied by angry demonstrators. SHAC-USA brought over 350 protestors (one of the biggest US animal rights demonstrations ever) to the Stephens Inc HQ and turned the city into a battle zone.

In the UK, our efforts and focus must be no different. Stephens must face the consequence for investing in animal cruelty. We should feel no remorse and only joy at destroying this investment company, the way we have taken down HLS as they are as corrupt as they come. Stephens Inc is notorious in the US for being connected to financial scandals, drug trafficking, and political assassinations. Adding animal cruelty to their CV only strengthens our case for its financial destruction. So far, like HLS, money and political clout has bought their way out of trouble from a broken justice system, however they are about to learn they will not be able to worm their way out of responsibility when answering to the animal rights movement.

Dialogue with Stephens is a pointless endeavour as a number of offers have been placed from doctors, ethicists, clergy, and animal experts to explain why HLS needs to be closed. Videotaped and other documented evidence of animal cruelty have been shown to Stephens representatives, they have been offered constructive means to divest. Stephens has responded to such attempts at reason with countless lawsuits against the SHAC-USA activists – suing American volunteers for over $10 million for wrecking the value of their investment in HLS.

To convince Stephens to drop HLS, we must take the same action against this company as we did against HLS two years ago – we need to attack their finances. We have brought HLS to the brink of foreclosure by sabotaging their financial support base. Stephens is just as vulnerable and we must not pause to take a breath until we taste victory.

In the UK, there are two main targets that we must pressure as they are the source of enormous profit and business credibility for Stephens - Barclays and the Bank of America.

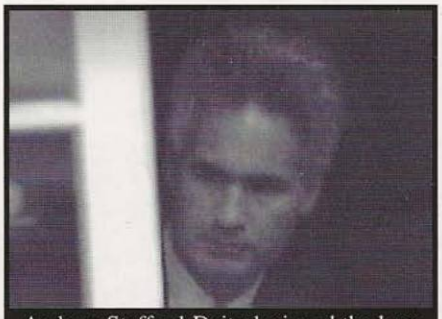
Stephens Inc.

Stephens also operates an office in London. From this office the UK Stephens' director Andrew Stafford-Deitsch was actually the one who signed the loan agreement in January, 2001 that saved HLS. Constant pressure needs to be on this office and the employees as they are literally the life-line to HLS.

Contact Stephens:

- 63 St. James Street, London, SW1A
- Andrew Stafford Deitsch : **Personal details removed**

www.stephenskills.com



Andrew Stafford-Deitsch signed the loan agreement that saved HLS.

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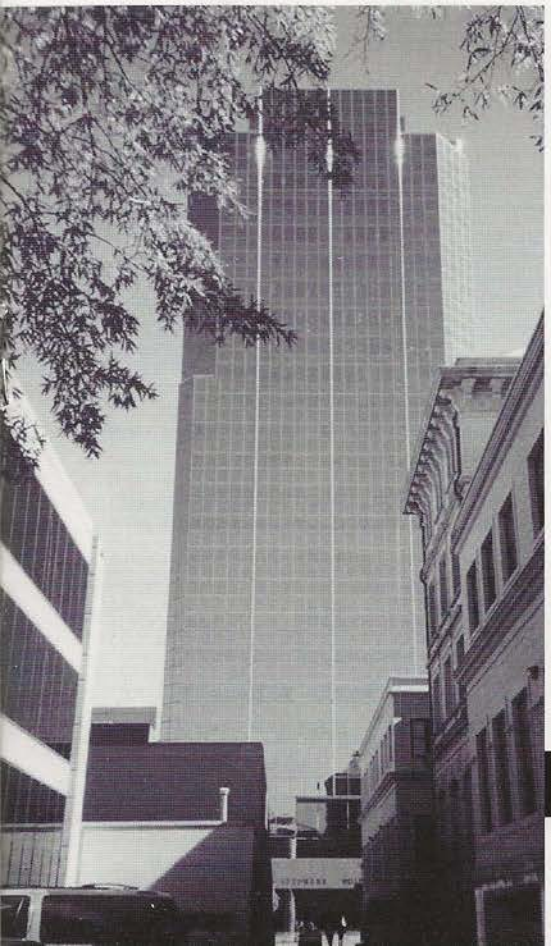
Barclays Bank has one of the deepest, most profitable, and significant relationships with Stephens Inc and without it Stephens would be nothing and unable to sponsor animal torture. Barclays Bank has always made the effort to distance themselves from HLS and we now call on them to do the same with Stephens.

This high street target is contracted to Stephens Inc as the distributor and manager of the 'LifePath' financial portfolios through the investment banking sector of the bank called Barclays Global Investors (BGI). BGI and Stephens manage £703 billion in assets for institutions and investors. The commission raised off this business venture is enormous and Stephens would not think twice about dumping HLS if this business relationship with Barclays were in jeopardy.

Call on Barclays Bank to demand that BGI sever its business ties with Stephens Inc and secure the closure of that nightmarish laboratory.

Contact Barclays:

- Barclays Complaint Centre
  Customer Relations, Barclays Bank plc, 54 Lombard Street, FREEPOST LON13542, London, EC3B 3PJ
  Freephone: 0800 282 390
  customer.relations@barclays.co.uk
- Barclays Global Investors
  Miles O'Connor, Managing Director
  Tel: 0207 668 8046
  Fax: 0207 668 6046
  E: miles.oconnor@barclaysglobal.com



Stephens' main building in the USA

Bank of America

The Bank of America, like Barclays, has a very important business relationship that Stephens far values over their sinking investment in HLS. The Bank of America has its entire mutual fund program (Nations Fund) run through Stephens Inc. Stephens provides the mutual fund legal consultation, state reporting, research, management and sales. The Bank of America provides Stephens with offices, resources, employees, customers, and the opportunity to make a huge profit.

The Bank of America prides itself of its ethical policies and concern for the environment. All of us need to hold them to this and demand they sever ties with Stephens Inc and HLS! Visit www.bankofamericakills.com for more information.

Contact Bank of America:

- UK Headquarters, 1 Alie Street, London, E1 8DE
  Tel: 0207 634 4000
- Customer Relations Centre, 26 Elmfield Road, Bromley, Kent BR1 1WA
  Tel: 0208 313 2000 or 0207 763 4000
- Computer Network
  Galaxy House, 41 Cherry Orchard Rd, Croydon, Surrey CR9 6BY
  Tel: 0208 760 6000

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Animal Rights Activism

The animal rights movement is comprised of individuals from a variety of backgrounds all united to see animals liberated from abuse and exploitation. Compassion is our collective bond as people from all social, financial, cultural, and ethnic backgrounds fight to close places like HLS down. As well as there being a diversity of individuals in animal rights, the methodology is on a wide spectrum. Activists within the SHAC campaign have come up with tactics to financially take down HLS, whilst activists like Lynn Sawyer defy stereotypes and bring a pleasant face to civil disobedience and picketing, whereas the ALF activist Barry Horne strikes fear in the black hearts of vivisectors everywhere as he gave life and liberty physically dismantling animal abusing establishments. The following profiles offer a stirring view of the people behind the actions. Get to know the following individuals and be proud we have them on the animals' side and more importantly - be inspired to take your own activism to the next level.

People from all social, financial, cultural, and ethnic backgrounds fight to close places like HLS down

The SHAC 3!

Greg, Heather, and Natasha have over the past few years made significant contributions to the struggle for animal liberation with their vital work in the victorious campaigns to close Consort Beagle Breeders and the now infamous Hill Grove Farm.

Their cunning ideas and relentless cam-

ACTIVIST PROFILE:

Barry Horne



In 1993 Barry wrote - "For some of us animal liberation is a war that we intend to win. If we fail it won't be because we didn't try to or because we didn't care enough". Well Barry, you tried alright. Barry died because of the hunger strikes he did in protest over Labour's broken promises concerning what they would do to help animals if elected, specifically the one to hold a Royal Commission into vivisection. Stop reading this for a couple of minutes and try and put yourself on day 10 of a hunger strike....day 20.....day 30. On his first hunger strike, in January 1997, he wrote of the nausea and tiredness he felt after one week without food and how by the fifth week his kidneys were in constant pain and he suffered many blackouts. He wrote "I was rapidly approaching the point where one no longer lives anymore – but one begins to die". He called that hunger strike off after 35 days when the Home Office agreed to hold meetings with his representatives but when it became clear that nothing was being offered to help the animals, he went back to the hunger strike. In that same year he went a further 47 days without food and then a year later he went for 68 days. He was never able to recover from that hunger strike. He ended it after what turned out to be yet another broken promise from the Home Office. He even went on further hunger strikes until, eventually, his weak, frail body gave up on November 5th, 2001.

Working on his own, he is said to have caused millions of pounds of damage to animal abusers property

A difference between the awful suffering that he went through and the daily living nightmare that animals go through inside HLS, is that Barry, at any point, could have simply called it off. The next time any of us feel tired, or go through a lack of focus or direction, then it may help to think of the level of bravery of determination that Barry showed, in order to put things into perspective. He said "grasp the opportunity that this hunger strike presents." During the hunger strikes, Consort and Hillgrove were trashed and animals liberated in daylight raids, the Huntingdon camp was set up which cost HLS £200,000 to evict. The whole movement was galvanised and there were roof top protests and demos all over the country. We put it to use then and now that he is dead, it certainly doesn't stop there.

He received an 18 year prison sentence, yet he was only charged with attacks upon property, not violence. He had his own clear path towards achieving animal liberation and he was under no illusion as to what lay ahead. Working on his own, he is said to have caused millions of pounds of damage to animal abusers' property. Working with others, he rescued animals from laboratories and other hellholes and yes, he was there on the demos too, doing stalls, sabbing and he did plenty of local animal rescue work and helped out at sanctuaries. In 1991 he wrote, "But while all forms of animal rights activity, from the leaflet to the burning cattle truck, have a part to play, none of them can exist in isolaton".

What better way for those of us in the movement to show our respects to the man is to get on with it and close down HLS.

Emily Pankhurst



As the founder and leader of the Women's Social and Political Union, Emily Pankhurst and her daughters took their activism for women's right to the vote a step beyond politely asking their MP's for it. Disgusted by a liberal government and Prime Minister that ignored their just demands, these women bombed, smashed, and destroyed what was precious to the male patriarchy and got their right to vote.

Harriet Tubman



An African American woman born into slavery in the Southern U.S. made an escape to freedom when she was young. She spent her life working within the underground railroad risking her liberty and life rescuing other slaves from the South by sneaking them into the North. With her utter disregard for the unjust laws, she managed to save over 300 other African Americans from a life of horrendous servitude.

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paigning style has mobilised the entire animal rights movement and has delivered significant blows to the vivisection industry. Working full time, 7 days a week, 15 hours a day – along with others in SHAC – they are making history with the HLS campaign. By coordinating the world's biggest grassroots animal rights campaign they have – to quote the Financial Times – "exceeded against Capitalism where Karl Marx failed" by successfully taking on and defeating those who invest in animal cruelty.

These three come from normal backgrounds and have taken on an extraordinary lifestyle. Giving up creature comforts and luxuries that accompany conventional employment, they serve as an example that sacrifice does pay off and that we can all become fulltime activists within the grassroots animal rights movement.

Greg, Heather, and Natasha are currently serving a 12 month prison sentence for their role in producing the SHAC newsletter that encouraged its readers to call HLS employees more than once, to send them unwanted parcels, and to put up stickers against the Natwest Bank. Their conviction and sentencing is a travesty of justice considering the HLS employees that were convicted of repeatedly punching puppies were given a mere 50 hours of community service.

Their willingness to see HLS closed down influenced them to push beyond typical boundaries of activism and into a grey area that is occupied by other famous freedom fighters like those listed below. They have followed what was in their hearts and what their consciences would not let them remain silent about. While they use this prison sentence to rest, please take time to support them by means of letters and please demonstrate to them through your action that, in their absence, we have all taken on a bigger role to SMASH HLS!



From left: Natasha, Greg and Heather. Currently serving 12 months each for trying to close HLS.

ACTIVIST PROFILE:

Lynn Sawyer

I became involved in animal rights a few years ago after realising how wrong I had been by supporting hunting. I had witnessed many atrocities and decided to spend my life defending animals, instead of abusing them. Furthermore, as a nurse and a midwife, I am fully aware that vivisection is scientific fraud. This has involved general protest, information stalls and non-violent direct action such as videoing conditions in laboratories and factory farms.

In July 2000, some of us blocked the A1 by HLS with two 20 ft high tripods with one of us on either structure. Unfortunately, off duty police officer David Manton decided he would try to kill me by pulling the tripod apart causing me to crash 20ft to the tarmac. I had a fractured hip and femur, my face was split from my left eyebrow down my cheek requiring plastic surgery, I lost a litre of blood and acquired the lethal bug MRSA. One leg is now shorter than the other and I am permanently scarred and still in pain, unable to walk without limping, I was off sick for 9 months. I know that I was very lucky to survive this vicious and unprovoked attack.

It took the police 10 months to charge David Manton with GBH. After a show trial, in which he and his colleagues lied outrageously and the CPS were comatose, he was spared prison with a not guilty verdict.

He is now back at work at St Neot's police station, no doubt one day another member of the public will suffer extreme violence from him. This makes me more determined than ever to smash HLS and fight to the death for animal rights. News of all those killed or nearly killed by police officers and animal abusers is just fuel to the flames of determination. Barry Horne must not have died in vain. We are way above these monsters and have a duty to drag them kicking and screaming to our standards of compassion and social responsibility. If I can limp into HLS in my state, think what someone with a 100% able body can do! We all have amazing potential and inner strength, we have nothing to fear because we are going to win, whatever it takes.

Nelson Mandela



Nelson Mandela led the fight against the apartheid in South Africa as a student activist, a lawyer, an elected political leader, and an underground soldier. Through the African National Conference, he launched the Defiance of Unjust Laws Campaign and worked against a corrupt state to fight segregation and racist state policies. He was subjected to brutal state repression and spent 26 years in prison for his work for justice. He today is regarded as one of the greatest modern day political figures.

Chinese Dissidents



These thousands of Chinese dissidents did the unthinkable in June 1989 by standing up to an incredibly repressive and brutal Communist Chinese Regime. Through their hunger strikes and seizing of the Tianamen Square, these activists demonstrated to the world the cowardice of the Government and the bravery of their convictions.

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HLS hellhole 2: Eye Research Centre

Upon first appearance, the town of Eye in Suffolk seems normal enough, it is not until you take a closer look that you discover a filthy secret that has been a blot on the landscape of this otherwise picturesque area for a number of years.

Hidden away down a quiet country lane near the tiny village of Occold, The Eye Research Centre is owned and operated by HLS. It imprisons thousands of mice, monkeys, rabbits and other animals and employs around 300 people to maim, mutilate and murder them to test agrochemicals, veterinary products, drugs and farming products. They also breed monkeys for vivisection and ship them abroad with the help of a local vet.

The surrounding towns and villages are riddled with animal abusers who work at ERC pushing poison down the animals' throats without a care. Animal abusers such as technician Selina Williams who was on her way to work drunk when police stopped her and charged her with drink driving. Animal abusers such as technician James Berry who was caught dealing class A drugs on site. Animal abusers such as Vicky Rush of the Marmoset Breeding department who broke the leg of a monkey whilst she attempted to restrain the terrified animal.

You only have to look at the large windowless buildings, the chimneys billowing smoke and the miles of razor wire to get an impression of the filthy secrets taking place inside this hellhole.

Looking through research papers, we came across a whole range of sickening tests for products as frivolous as food additives and e-numbers.

One set of research papers refers to studies conducted on marmoset monkeys and mice to test the safety of artificial sweeteners.

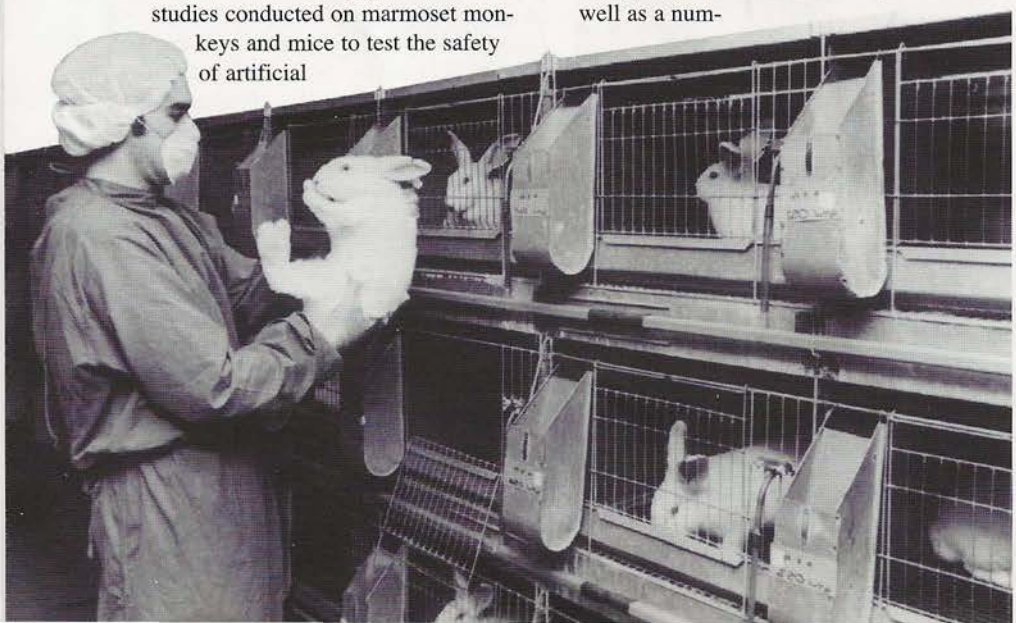
The monkeys were housed singularly throughout the study, these are highly social animals and being housed alone is highly stressful for them. The monkeys suffered further anxiety throughout the study due to the method of dosing – the dreaded oral gavage which involves the animal being restrained and having a tube forced down it's throat so that the test substance can be forced directly into their stomach. Throughout the study animals showed "severe and debilitating" effects as well as reduced use of their hind legs, visual disturbances, tremors and convulsions. At the end of this study, or when they were in so much pain they could take it no more, the monkeys were killed by lethal injection and had their bodies cut open for examination.

The mice in the study were killed by an overdose of ether which is a substance known to cause "intense irritation to the respiratory passages before unconsciousness occurs which leads to a sensation of choking". The animals then had their "hearts pierced and flushed with preservative solution"

Another study involved HLS forcing pregnant animals to take a test substance throughout their pregnancy. Some rabbits died, others were killed by mistakes made by technicians whilst others survived but had miscarriages.

WHO THE HELL DO THESE MONSTERS THINK THEY ARE?

Don't let them get away with it! There is already a rock bottom level of staff morale at Eye: workers are constantly leaving because they cannot cope with the pressure of the job. There is a high level of in-fighting and alcoholism at Eye as well as a number of workers who hate the job so much that they are out of their heads all day on drugs – this is all in paperwork removed from HLS. We need to turn up the pressure on this filthy place to close down and make sure that they do not get away with their abuse. As with HLS at Huntingdon, there is something that everybody can do to help bring this place crashing to the ground. The higher their operational costs, the less profit they make and the sooner they close.



DEMONSTRATE!

Local animal rights campaigners demonstrate against the lab on a regular basis and they need your support. Go down to Eye and see the filthy animal killers hang their heads in shame and defeat – they know they are in the wrong and they know it is only a matter of time until their work place is finished off for good. Demos happen every Monday from 4-6pm as well as on other days, contact us for more info. If you cannot make it on their days, choose your own day and turn up at any time, be it once a week, once a fortnight or once a month. The animals at Eye really need your help.

SURPRISE!

HLS Eye are not as used to people turning up unannounced and stalking the perimeter at all hours of the day or night. Get down there when you can and let them know what it feels like to be well and truly under siege. If you're lucky you will get a free light show courtesy of the local police helicopter!

PHONE THEM UP!

The following numbers are all for people working at Eye, phone them up at work and tell them that we do not tolerate animal abuse. The main number is: 01379 64 4122
Or you can call the killers by using the prefix 01379 672 and adding one of the extension numbers below:

P Aughton: 348
Danna Carter: 122
Pete Denholm/Stuart Hazlewood/John Holmes: 199
Alma Gower: 024
Robert Hubbard: 122
Sue Ivatt: 320
Jamie Kilpatrick: 123
Ian Vanterpool: 131

WRITE TO THEM!

Write to HLS at Eye Research Centre, Occold, Eye, Suffolk, IP23 7PX and let them know your opinions on animal suffering.

Visit the lab with your local group

Every Monday, 20 - 50 protestors have been at HLS drawing attention to the site and all who work there. To see those who actually poison and mutilate the victims of HLS scuttle home at night looking nervously at the wall of protestors or better still hurling abuse and threats, it is blatantly clear that we are winning and they are leaving HLS in their droves. To actually hear from contractors that even one car load puts the whole site on alert and that staffing is desperate, hammers home the vital need for demos at the gates not just on Mondays but every single week day.

Vivisectors at HLS have a variety of responses to demos. They may get paranoid, such as not letting another employee into a building in case we've breached their security yet again, or they may just get so stressed they just decide to leave like the hundreds before them. This also applies to secretarial staff, contractors, catering staff, cleaners etc. Can you imagine Brian Cass making his own tea, cleaning his own loos, cutting the grass and, horror of horrors, without a PA!

Delivery vans containing everything from innocent beings to sandwiches, arrive at HLS and it is well known that some of the individuals who go to HLS for the first time do not know what goes on there and are not best pleased when they find out. It is not unknown for delivery people to get very annoyed and refuse point blank to go back. Those attending job interviews may not find a couple of dozen animal rights folk at their prospective workplace an appealing idea.

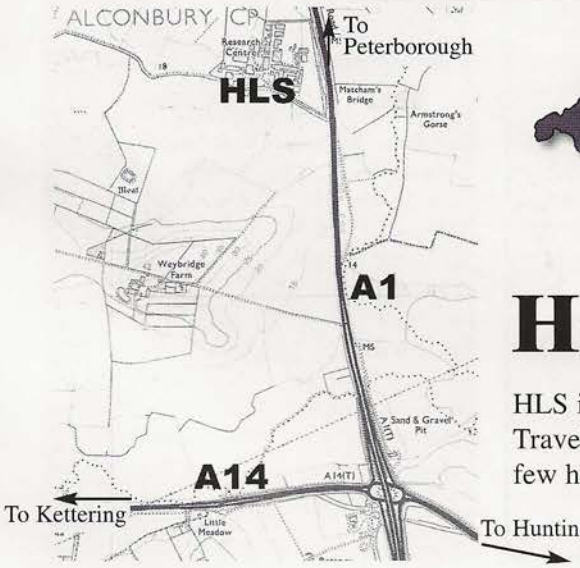
Customers may also decide that first impressions count, especially if they ring and cannot be heard because of the din outside, that is of course if they can get through in the first place, as we understand that many concerned citizens have been keen to discuss their grievances with HLS. Interesting things go in and out of the gates such as the joggers at lunchtime, so it's not exactly dull.

A few of the workers begin very early and have been sighted at 6:00am. Most of the workers go in between 7.30am and 9.00am. This is the most important time to attend HLS, if possible, because every one of them has to be checked by security. It is a slow process and is not helped by a robust group of us giving them the benefit of our opinions. The gates are all open at this time of day due to the sheer volume of traffic and remember trespass is not illegal. At lunchtime between 12.30pm – 2pm workers go in and out again. They start going home from 3pm - 6pm so if it is difficult to be there first thing in the morning, then this is probably what to aim for.

We have split up the map below into five regions. These five regions correspond with days of the week for people from that area to attend the gates of HLS. This will hopefully mean that there will be people present at HLS five days a week.

Listed on this page is a contact for each area who are running transport. Please make an effort to either contact this person to accompany them there, or start running your own transport. If you wish to do the latter please contact us with your details so that we can put people in contact with you. Also, if you are having problems finding people from your area to go with you, we would be happy to do a mailout for your area advertising the details. Enclosed with this newsletter you will find an insert of a comprehensive list of local animal rights groups/contacts for the United Kingdom. Please use this to your advantage and help each other in the fight against HLS.





How to get there

HLS is situated about 1 mile off the A1/A14 junction near Huntingdon. Travelling North up the A1, there is a small lane on your left and it is a few hundred yards down that lane on the right hand side.

prisoners

Letter from Heather

When we first arrived at Highpoint I was struck by how much it looked like HLS. The huge perimeter fence topped with razor wire and the dark concrete and brick buildings. Of course I felt no fear, because I am safe. I'm not going to die in here.

I shall be free in 4-6 short months. I can have visits and contact with people I love. I believe when the animals arrive at HLS they know what is about to happen. Anyone who has a companion animal knows how intuitive they are.

People are generally very friendly towards us in prison. Any prisoners who get into difficulty can press the alarm and the officers come running to rescue them from physical harm. I am always acutely aware that no such service is available if you are the subject of a toxicology experiment at HLS. The pain goes on and on for weeks, months or sometimes years, with death being the only release from the agony. We all need reminding of this sometimes. It is up to YOU to close HLS. Depending how long you have been involved YOU closed Consort and YOU closed Hillgrove Farm. YOU are the people who forced Shamrock Farm and Regal Rabbits to close. Don't ever underestimate your power.

Hillgrove farm took two years to close. HLS will take longer. We always knew that. It is going to take all of you, a lot of effort and bloody hard work to achieve that. The closer we get to closure, the harder they are going to fight. When they struggle and try to hit back at us they need to be slapped down hard. HLS are on their knees. It is your job now to force their face down into the mud and make sure they never get up again. Target their financial supporters relentlessly. Keep up the pressure at the gates and support the nationals.

I can remember standing at the gates of Consort morning after morning feeling sick from anger and lack of sleep. I could hear the beagles barking and howling. I remember the workers laughing at us on their way down the drive. A friendly journalist said "I agree with you but you'll never close it down."

On one national demo at Consort everybody was doing something, anything to vent their fury. People were breaking down the walls with their bare hands, brick by brick. Consort supplied HLS with beagles. Hillgrove Farm supplied cats to HLS. Shamrock Farm supplied HLS with primates. But that's all in the past now. We have evolved and move forward but always with that same anger and determination in our hearts. Don't ever lose that anger.

I am heartened to hear that there are more people at the gates of HLS. To all of you who went to the last national and all of you who are keeping up the fight against animal abuse any way you can I send you my love.

Keep fighting and stay strong.

Heather

Letter from Natasha

We are now two years into this campaign and have never been in a stronger position to destroy HLS once and for all. Make no mistake HLS are struggling for suvival. We need to now move in for the kill and wipe them out for good. The drive, determination and guts shown by everyone to close HLS here and in the USA are paying off - victory is within our grasp, but we need to really take on board that it will only with every single one of us coming at HLS with renewed anger and commitment and really battling to make it happen.

I remember the first two hunger strikes Barry went on and the rage that swept over the movement as demos and actions kicked off around the country and abroad and places like Consort and Hillgrove were smashed into and animals grabbed and taken to safety in broad daylight - that anger, that urgency and that fearless will to win are what will bring HLS to their knees and nothing less. We should learn from Barry that just one person is all it takes, all you need is the will to make it happen. Those beautiful dogs liberated from Interfauna, the ferrets and beagles liberated from Marshall Farms and hundreds of other animals are safe today because people put their liberty on the line and made it happen.

Now is the time for us to stop making excuses, put the animals first and destroy that filthy, evil company once and for all. We will not let them get away with the murder and torture of 500 animals a day, we will put every single one of them out of a job, and we will never turn our backs on the animals inside HLS waiting to die. We have to fight for them like we have never fought before. They deserve nothing less than our burning rage and commitment and nothing less than that will destroy HLS once and for all.

Yours, for the animals,

Natasha

Prisoner addresses

The following people are all in prison for carrying out actions related to animal rights. Please write them letters of support but remember that the prison authorities will read all the information you write in the letter

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HMP Bullingdon
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HMP The Mount
Molyneaux Ave
Bovingdon
Hemel Hempstead
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Save the Newchurch Guinea Pigs

Since 1996, David Hall and Partners have been making money by keeping guinea pigs in cramped and filthy conditions and selling the survivors to labs to be used in vivisection experiments. Based in Newchurch, near Burton-Upon-Trent in Staffordshire, this animal breeder is never far from any brutal vivisector who wants to purchase these small, sensitive animals to torture them to death. Huntingdon Life Sciences is the Hall's largest customer, purchasing thousands of these poor creatures every year who become part of the 180,000 animals that are murdered there annually. Remember that guinea pigs are the third most commonly used and abused animals in laboratories.

In 1999, the beginning of the end of both of these animal abusing companies began when campaigns were set up against them by the animal rights movement, with the sole aim of closing them down to stop the suffering.

In 2001 the links between David Hall and Partners and Huntingdon Life Sciences became even closer when one of the Halls invested in 50,000 shares of that scandalous laboratory. With the bond between these companies so strong, it is clear to see that when one goes, the other will come tumbling down soon after: - David Hall and Partners are dependent on HLS for custom and investment; they will not survive long without them. HLS need the Halls because they are the cheapest (and nastiest) guinea pig suppliers. With so many other financial difficulties, the last



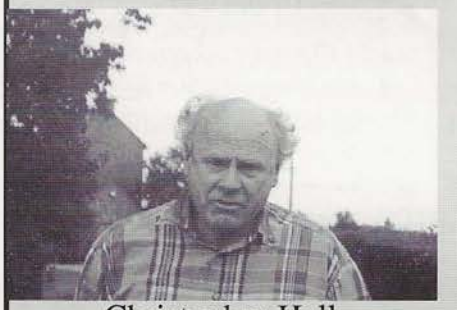
thing they need is a dramatic increase in the cost of the animals awaiting torture.

It is not a question of whether to campaign against HLS or Newchurch: we must campaign against both!

Save the Newchurch Guinea Pigs PO Box 74 Evesham Worcs WR11 3WF
Tel: 01902 564734
email: info@guineapigs.org.uk
web: www.guineapigs.org.uk

Thank you for your commitment and support.

Scum alert:



Christopher Hall



John Hall



David Hall

Contact the Halls:

Christopher and Margaret Hall
Darley Oaks Farm, Newchurch, Staffs,
Tel; 01283 575 321

Action Dates:

February
2nd: Jill Phipps Memorial Day at Darley Oaks Farm @Noon.
April
World Month For Laboratory Animals 1-5th: Week of Action. 6th: National Demonstration. Details to be announced...

Other useful addresses:

Surrey Anti-Hunt Campaign,
BM Box 7099
London WC1 3NN
Tel: 07903 413894
email: info@sahc.org.uk
web: www.sahc.org.uk

Vegan Prisoner Support Group,
PO Box 194
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Tel: 0208 292 8325.
email: hvpc@vpsg.freeserve.co.uk

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Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty

Standing Order Form

☐ I would like to donate a regular sum by standing order to the "Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty" campaign.

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More donations please!

SHAC is run by volunteers who give up their lives in order to completely focus on closing down HLS. Without your help we couldn't continue the campaign against the hellhole. Your support has brought about countless victories so far, such as the Natwest campaign and the shareprice down. Your money pays for stationery, postage costs, equipment, petrol costs, stunts such as banner drops and much more. At times it is a struggle and we may have to cancel plans due to lack of funds. All we ask is that you commit to donating a certain amount to us each month whether it is £1 or £100. I know many of you out there feel helpless because you are unable to actively take part in the fight against HLS, but it would help us so much if you donate money for every demo that you cannot attend. Remember, there are so many ways that you can raise money: street stalls, car boot sales, benefit CDs/gigs, sponsored walks. Use your imagination!
We look forward to hearing from you...

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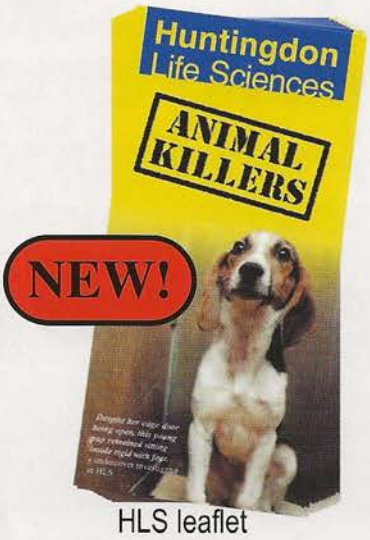
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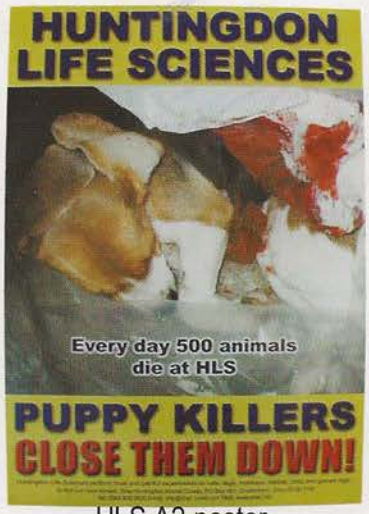
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SHAC, PO Box 381, Cheltenham, Glos, GL50 1YN



Stephens/Barclays leaflet



HLS leaflet



HLS A2 poster

Shareholder
A4 poster



Shareholder
Leaflet

Shell leaflet

Shell A2
poster



Shell sticker

Video



T-shirt 1



T-shirt 2



National demo against HLS
Sat 16th February 2002

Meet High Street, Huntingdon - 12 noon



Lets converge on the home town of HLS and bring the screams of the animals to their doorsteps. Bring posters, banners, whistles, drums and anything to make some noise.



Coaches and other transport is available from all over the UK. Call 0845 458 0630 for details or to register yourself as a transport contact







Above are some of the 30 beagles rescued form HLS's beagle supplier. For the animals that remain at HLS we will fight until the hell-hole closes.

DIARY DATES

January

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
19th	**20th**	**21st**	**22nd**	**23rd**	**24th**	**25th**
SUPPLIERS WEEK OF ACTION Mon 19th - Fri 23rd						
Phone CED on 01954 231 957	Phone Phenomenex on 01625 501 367	Phone Oakwood Veterinary Group on 01379 852 146	Phone International Product Supplies on 01933 680 133	Phone Securicor on 0208 770 7000		Mass leafletting of West Byfleet. Yamanouchi have an office here, Meet 10am West Byfleet train station.
26th	**27th**	**28th**	**29th**	**30th**	**31st**	**1st**
U.K. JAPANESE CUSTOMER WEEK OF ACTION						
Demo at Daiichi meet at Chancery lane tube 11am	Demo at Yamanouchi Pyrford road, West Byfleet 2pm - 7pm	Demo at Sankyo meet 11am at Chalfont & Latimer train station	Demo at Asahi Glass, Thornton Cleveleys. Call us for details	Demo at Bradley Glass, Worthing and Glaverbel, Rugby both demos from 11am		Mass leafletting of West Byfleet. Yamanouchi have an office here, Meet 10am West Byfleet train station.

February

2nd	**3rd**	**4th**	**5th**	**6th**	**7th**	**8th**
SUPPLIERS WEEK OF ACTION Mon 2nd Feb - Fri 6th Feb						
Phone International Product Supplies on 01933 680 133	Cambs suppliers tour meet 11am Cambridge services Jct 28 on A14. Phone through your mobile beforehand	Phone Phenomenex on 01625 501 367	Bank demo & Fur. Joint day of action. Meet 11am Liverpool Street station, Bishopsgate exit	Phone Oakwood Veterinary Group on 01379 852 146		
9th	**10th**	**11th**	**12th**	**13th**	**14th**	**15th**
GLOBAL WEEK OF ACTION AGAINST JAPANESE CUSTOMERS						
Phone Yamanouchi on 01932 342 291	Phone Asahi Glass on 01772 775 800 & 01253 861 800 AND 01604 671 150	Phone Daiichi on 0207 936 2850	Phone Sankyo on 01494 766 866	Phone Yamanouchi on 01784 274 300		
16th	**17th**	**18th**	**19th**	**20th**	**21st**	**22nd**
SUPPLIERS WEEK OF ACTION Mon 16th Feb - Fri 20th Feb						
Phone Charterhouse Clinical Research Unit on 0208 741 7170	Phone Sigma - Aldrich Chemicals on 01747 833 000 & 01223 839 000 AND 01202 733 114	Phone Bright Instruments on 01480 454 528	Phone CED on 01954 231 957	Phone Brake Bros on 01233 206 000	FIGHT BACK IN FEBRUARY 48 hour Do it yourself demo. Target those connected with Huntingdon when YOU choose and where YOU choose. Fri 20 th Feb midnight - Sun 22nd midnight	
23rd	**24th**	**25th**	**26th**	**27th**	**28th**	**29th**
GLOBAL WEEK OF ACTION AGAINST YAMANOUCHI						
Phone Yamanouchi on 01784 274 300	Demo at Yamanouchi Pyrford road, West Byfleet 8-30am - 2pm	Phone Yamanouchi on 01932 342 291	Demo at Yamanouchi Egham 2pm - 7pm	Demo against financial backers of Yamanouchi. Meet 11am Liverpool Street station, Bishopsgate exit		

