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LATEST NEWS

According to up-to-date reports, there are this afternoon about ten people now left at Greenham Common looking after the Green Gate site. According to the pieces of paper distributed on site by a Council official on Friday, any permission of the Council, express or implied, which anyone there may claim to have to be there, is revoked from midnight.

In other words, the Council can, if they think it necessary, take steps to begin applying for an eviction order tomorrow. However, the signs are that the Council consider themselves safe - that the "problem" has gone away - so they may or may not bother. In fact, shortly after the notices were delivered on Friday a JCB arrived on site and began filling in again the trenches which they had dug before we arrived.

At the same time as the digger began work, a smart R reg. car containing three men also arrived on site for a look round. The occupants turned out to be travellers from Slough Area looking for a site, and it is quite possible that four or five families of travellers will arrive on about Wednesday - which would of course confuse the council magnificently!!!!

The old Post Office of Greenham has some post for the following degenarates if they call to Poch Corner they can have it

No-Nancy & Les ----- Terry Grahne

Miss P. G. Hancock '088 5126' 2 letters

Mr Grahne Brocke. ----- Ms Jayne Lockett

Please do not ask us to be responsible any more it was just a Greenham Common P.O. Also here is a letter for Jenny 'moo' Yorke?

ADVERTS

Waggy Poch & Tir na Nog wholefood Restaurant opening shortly come and have a sit down meal at rip-off prices, PS where is Peter Potter and the Marquee???

If your SHY visit X Andy at the back of Poch Corner, or even the Magic Roundabout of Gyms, Tibetans want money for nothing but hassle them for one of their brilliant candles to light your path.

Come to the Pyramid - Windbow high (Natural High Centre) also try Uncle Bob's Tai Chi classes, also lotsof Music & Meditation.

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thank you Popeye!

MEANWHILE, BACK ON THE FARM, the back of Brig's truck is a "What really happened at Greenham?" information point - volunteers needed to look after it while Brig sells his superior quality wholefoods (cheapest on site), and please bring any Greenham photos etc. to display.

Meanwhile, in London offices and elsewhere, CND is in turmoil (Campaign of No Direction). They're waiting on us, cos they don't know what we're going to do next. Matter of fact, neither do we. We're just laying back in the sunshine and having a good time. No black dust - ain't it great? But a lot of us are still reckoning to go back to Greenham sooner or later. but meanwhile perhaps E. Anglia looks like promising territory (Albion Fayres and Sizewell).

And meanwhile again we've got a lot to do telling the people who weren't therẽ exactly what they missed, and we need to find a lot of money for the Greenham Seven Defence Fund (see over).

SITTING ON THE FENCE



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FOR THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW, and it could be a lot of you since the media coverage has been virtually nil (apart from the good ol' News of The World), the situation is, briefly, as follows:

On June 30th a "Peace Convoy" of 130 trucks, buses and vans left Stonchenge (the Kossak-Bally Bulten of Britain) for Greenham Common.

At the Green Gate the convoy was met by the token resistance of the Thames Valley Police, which was fairly peacefully overcome by weight of numbers, and a trench dug by Newbury District Council, which was filled in by a few folk with shovels.

On Sunday July 4th the area was proclaimed "The People's Free State of Greenham Common".

On the night of Thursday 8th July a small hole mysteriously appeared in the perimeter fence, and some of the construction vehicles engaged in building the new cruise missile silos were daubed with paint. By dawn a long stretch of the wire mesh part of the fence had fallen down.

The M.O.D. Police panicked and rushed in mobile searchlights and bulldozers, and ruthlessly bulldozed about an acre of trees on the inside of the fence. It was this unthinking action against living trees which sparked the anger of the people outside the fence and led to the demolition by sledgehammer of 65 concrete fence posts.

Later that day about 400 police came on site and arrested six people against whom they claimed to have photographic evidence. A 7th man was arrested for obstruction.

On Monday 12th July those arrested appeared in Newbury Magistrates' Court for the first time. Six were remanded in custody - five charged with criminal damage and one with assault. The man on the obstruction charge was given a conditional discharge and released. However, also in court was an eighth man who had been arrested before he even got to the site. He was also charged with criminal damage, since in the course of his arrest his motorbike had been in collision with a police vehicle. Although his case was in fact totally separate from the fence incident, he was also remanded in custody.

On Friday 16th the seven again appeared in Newbury. Three were given bail (including the biker), and four were again remanded, but were later bailed after an appeal by Lord Gifford QC to a judge in chambers.

All seven are due to appear at Reading Crown Court on August 6th (Hiroshima Day). Please be there if you can, and donate generously to the Greenham Seven Defence Fund. Collectors will be here on site all week. **DON'T SIT ON THE FENCE.**