

INTERCOM NEWS BULLETIN



Welcome to the October news bulletin, beware it might be a bit spooky this month so brace yourself (it's not by the way!) There is a veritable plethora of spooky Halloween events happening this month, and also some rather splendid non halloween events too, so get your diaries out people, your going to be busy busy busy!

We also have some new groups starting up to fill up the long nights drawing in. Why not find something in your area and while away those autumn evenings in good company doing something new and exciting, such as joining the new book group, or setting up a GLAM (Gay & Lesbian at The Movies) group in your area!

Cornwall Chillout Café



Cornwall Chillout Café's first monthly event for LGBT people in Cornwall takes place on Sunday 18th October 2-5pm at the Crossroads Inn in Scorrier. Come along and receive a warm welcome, meet some new people and while away an autumn Sunday afternoon in splendid company – what more could you possibly want, apart from a bit of cake, which there will be too!

The hotel is located less than 1 minute from the A30, just north of Redruth. From the A30, take the turning signposted Scorrier and Helston onto the A3047. The Crossroads Travel Inn is just at the end of the slip road.

Drop the group a line on cornwallchilloutcafe@hotmail.co.uk or see www.lgbtcollective.org.uk for more details.

Exeter Pride Fundraiser

Next March we will see Exeter's Second Pride Event. For this to happen we need to help raise some money so Vaults are very kindly throwing Exeter Pride a fundraising Halloween party on **Tuesday 20th October** 8:30pm (ish) onwards – yes, it is on school night, but don't let that stop you – rebel, rebel I tell you!!!

DJ Alan will be there from 10pm, and so will we with very scary costumes on. It's only a pound to get in before midnight and vaults will be matching all the door proceeds so by coming along and having fun – you will be helping the Exeter Pride Committee to put on a bigger and better event in 2010!

There will be prizes for "HALLOWEEN FANCY DRESS" so get creative!!! Also everyone will get the chance to do some Trick or Treating!!!

Exeter Pride Committee are also looking for people to join them in organising the 2010 event, especially on the entertainment side of things – so if you're a bit handy with that sort of thing, or indeed would like to perform at the Pride event yourself, get in touch! vicky@intercomtrust.org.uk

Gateway Open Evening for LGBT Groups

**From the comfort of your own home log on to our first online networking open evening on
Tuesday 3rd November 7:30 – 8:30**

This is an open evening with a difference because it will be taking place in your living room/office or where ever your computer is really! It's a chance to explore the Gateway intranet website for LGBT groups and projects and a great opportunity to do a bit of networking with Lead Officers from the LGBT Collective and people from other groups. The website has live chat and forums for you to discuss issues or ideas or you can simply just take a look around the different group's profiles that are there and see if anything interests you.

This event and website is exclusively for LGBT groups and projects – most of whom should have received their log in details by now, if for any reason your group has not had these yet get in touch with us and we will sort it out for you.

www.lgbtgateway.org.uk - contact vicky@intercomtrust.org.uk for log in details for your group.

Bournemouth MCC celebrates 30 years

Bournemouth MCC will be giving thanks in worship for past blessings with a series of events celebrating three decades of Faith, Hope & Love with Metropolitan Community Church. Everyone is invited to celebrate 30 years of Ministry in Bournemouth with them..

They would like to invite you to join them for any or all of our 30th Anniversary events!

Sunday 18th October; 11 am – Giving Thanks in Worship for Past Blessings

Thursday 22nd October; 7.30 pm – Taizé Worship - Reflective Worship in the Taizé Tradition

Friday 23rd October; 7.30 pm – Call Me Troy - A new movie on the life of Rev Troy Perry,

Saturday 24th October - 4 pm – Anniversary Dinner; Yenton Hotel, Manor Road. £16.95 for a three course meal, reservations required, followed by 7 pm – Bar Hop in The Triangle: MCC Hits the Streets

Sunday 25th October; 11 am – Envisioning the Future Together in Worship followed by 1 pm – Bring and Share Lunch and Afternoon Movie

All events at Metropolitan Community Church unless otherwise stated.

See www.lgbtcollective.org.uk or <http://www.mccbournemouth.co.uk> for more dates and events as part of their celebrations



Are you a Man?

Are you gay or bisexual?

Are you in rural Devon?

If so, and you think that there is little for gay and bisexual men to do in rural Devon, then come along to one of our events. Grab a coffee, tell us what you think should be on offer, where it should be, when it should happen and let's see what we can get started! Come along and have your say – you might even find that there is something already running that interests you in the area!

The first event will be taking place at 6:30pm; Wednesday 11th November at the Okment Community Centre, Email paul@intercomtrust.org.uk for further information.

Community Development Team seek Volunteer...

The Community Development team are currently seeking a volunteer to assist them with their work. Even though we operate across the South West peninsula, the volunteer would be based from our Exeter office so would need to be local or able to travel here, but we can help with any expenses. As many of you know, our building is not accessible – we hate this but unfortunately have to live with it for the time being, sorry!

The Volunteer will be supporting the team to keep the database of groups and projects up to date, to keep the collective groups up to date and to carry out website updates, for which training will be given. We would also like the volunteer to help us to develop new resources such as a list of media outlets across the region and actually, anything else that you think would be useful!

For more information or to come and have a chat contact Paul or Vicky on 01392 201012 or email paul@intercomtrust.org.uk

The Exeter Lesbian & Gay Book Club.

A new group in Exeter for anyone interested in reading and discussing books. The group will be meeting in Central Library, Exeter every 6-8 weeks to discuss lesbian/gay themed books together. If you love to read and want to meet other people who love reading too, email Rob at gaybookworm@gmail.com to find out more.

The Ponies get spooked

The Ponies are a relatively new women's group in Dorset who hold regular events and activities for LGBT women and their friends.

This Halloween, the fabulous fillies are holding a fancy dress event, be-witching fashion optional! There will be canapés and a fish & chip supper and a prize for the best outfit. October 31st, 7pm – 11:30pm at the Branscome Beach Restaurant in Poole.

Tickets are £15 per head for members of the group and £20 for non members who go along – and all are welcome members or not. Contact the group for tickets and further details on <http://www.theponies.co.uk/>

WOW goes WOOOOOHHHH @ the bob



Exeter's women's group WOW is hosting a women only Halloween bob on, yes – Halloween, that's Saturday 31st October and kicks off at 8pm at Nico's Italian Restaurant located in Bartholomew St East, Exeter. Remember - the more we support groups putting on events like this, the more likely they are to hold them more often – so get your dancing shoes on, meet some new people and have a splendid evening in some very fine company.

Tickets are only £4 in advance, available from Women on Wednesdays weekly meetings at the Picture House Bar, every – yes, Wednesday. Alternatively you can buy a ticket on the night for £5. email womenonweds.social.exeter@hotmail.com for more information or go along to one of their meetings.

Kick It Out Week of Action

The One Game, One Community Weeks of Action arranged by the Kick It Out campaign are one of the most prominent equality and community engagement initiatives in the country. Kick It Out works throughout the football, educational and community sectors to challenge discrimination, encourage inclusive practices and work for positive change.

The weeks have a strong community focus and play a role in celebrating diversity and inclusion. The 2009 Weeks of Action will take place between the 15th and 27th October. One Game, One Community sees the game's biggest names stand alongside communities across the UK under the banner of 'One Game, One Community'. Grassroots clubs, schools, community groups and fans join the professional game in coming together in symbolic activities promoting inclusion. The weeks of action is the biggest series of activities of their kind in Europe. Kick It Out offers a wide range of resources to support activities taking place during the weeks of action. For more information about this and other Action Week visit <http://www.kickitout.org>

Exeter GLAM

Exeter Gay & Lesbians At the Movies are off to see their second film on Monday 26th October, hoping to see The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus, if you would like to join the group then e-mail exeterglam@hotmail.co.uk for timings and locations. Don't forget there is also a GLAM in Cornwall where it all started, and if you fancy starting up on near you – drop us a line, there isn't much more of a simple group to set up and it's the right time of year to get in from the cold!

Purple Party!

Exeter Women's Aid are holding a Lesbian, gay, bisexual & trans friendly event as part of Devon Domestic Abuse awareness week to raise awareness of domestic abuse, with a focus on same sex domestic violence. Yes, it is a serious subject and this event is all about raising awareness, but having some fun whilst doing it! There will be a DJ with some fine tunes; purple dress is optional, come and have a dance! Tickets are only £3 on the night. Friday 27th November with music 8pm - late at Nico's Restaurant Function Room (downstairs), Bartholomew Street East in Exeter.

Email mesafe@exeterwomensaid.org.uk for more information

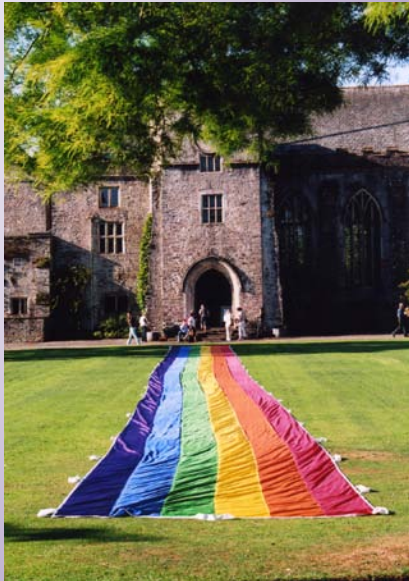
X-Plore seeks Trustees

X-Plore is an Exeter based youth group for young people (aged up to 25) who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Transgender or who are unsure (LGBT/U). This well established youth group offers young LGBT people safe, supportive social and educational opportunities. They aim to offer activities that are fun and life-enhancing and give LGBT/U young people access to the same personal and social development opportunities enjoyed by their peers. The group are now inviting interested parties to apply to be trustees – to find out more about this exciting opportunity contact the group on info@x-plore.org.uk



Spooky* Community photo gallery

LGBT 09



Showing off the new Pride flag own by Exeter & Plymouth Prides & the Intercom Trust at Dartington



The LGBT Collective meeting at the LGBT09 conference



*Spooky eh!



Its 50 meters long don't you know!

LOOKING AT THIS?

Then maybe others are too! Let us know if you have a notice, announcement or photo you would like us to post for you. If you don't think we need it, then we will discontinue the community notice board.

Scary Events Calendar

Here is a glimpse of what's going on over the next month or so... for more events and further details of all the following, check out

www.lgbtcollective.org.uk

Date	Event & Contact	Time & Location
Sunday 18 th October	Cornwall Chillout Café Brand new café group – come along, meet new people with a relaxed new group cornwallchilloutcafe@hotmail.co.uk	2pm – 5pm Crossroads Hotel, Scorrier, Cornwall
Tuesday 20 th October	Exeter Pride fundraising Party Come along and help Exeter Pride raise some funds whilst having a splendid time. vicky@intercomtrust.org.uk	8:30pm - 1am Vaults bar & Club, Exeter

Saturday 31st October	Women on Wednesdays Halloween Bop Bop till you drop ladies! Advance available or buy your ticket on the night for £4.	8 till late – Downstairs in Nico’s Italian Restaurant Bartholomew St East, Exeter
Tuesday 3rd November	Gateway Open Evening (groups & projects only) From the comfort of your arm chair – join LGBT groups for a evening of online networking	7:300-08:30 pm Web based network evening
	vicky@intercomtrust.org.uk	
	womenonweds.social.exeter@hotmail.com	
Wednesday 11th November	Men’s Event – an LGBT Collective event Getting together and finding out what is out there for gay and bi men in rural Devon	6:30pm Okement Centre, Okehampton
	paul@intercomtrust.org.uk	
Friday 27th November	Exeter Womens Aid - Purple Party An LGBT friendly event to raise awareness about same sex domestic abuse – bar & music 8 till late.	8 till late - Downstairs in Nico’s Italian Restaurant Bartholomew St East, Exeter
	mesafe@exeterwomensaid.org.uk	
1st Saturday of the month	PONY CLUB NIGHT @ BAR BEYOND Monthly event for LGBT women Bournemouth Triangle.	8pm – late Bar Beyond, The Triangle, Bournemouth
	info@theponies.co.uk	
Every Sunday	Pink Sundays at Pâtisserie Angelique Coffee and loveliness every Sunday	2-5pm Pâtisserie Angelique, 79 Poole Rd, Westbourne, Bournemouth
	cakes@patisserieangelique.com	
2nd and 4th Friday of the month	Kiss n Make Up Social group for TS/TVs, partners and admirers	8:30-late At Bar Beyond Bournemouth
	http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kissnmakeupdorset/	
Monthly	Bournemouth Gay Writers Meet monthly to discuss writing and their own work.	7:30 – 9pm Over The Rainbow in Bournemouth
	RainbowWritingGroup@hotmail.com	

Got an event coming up? e-mail us, because not only will it appear above it will also appear on the new LGBT Collective Website - see www.lgbtcollective.org.uk

Still reading? Then here is your reward...a little extra trick or treat for you!



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