

☆ LESBIANS & GAY MEN SUPPORT THE MINERS ☆

LONDON

Monday 25th. February 1985.

Dear City Limits,

Lesbians and Gays Support the Miners Group would like to thank all those who came on the National Demonstration in support of the Miners on February 24th.

It was exhilarating to see hundreds of lesbians and gay men openly showing their solidarity with and making the links between the oppression of our communities by the police, the media and the Tories with the struggle of mining communities.

We witnessed violence and intimidation erupting from the police who, as in Northern Ireland and at Greenham, Upper Heyford and at Molesworth, used police horses, baton charges and military tactics to disrupt and violate a peaceful demonstration of approximately 100,000 people.

But the gains we have made over the last historic year still remain as significant as ever: miners wearing lesbian and gay badges, lesbians and gay men visiting and living for weekends in mining communities, whole sections of the demonstration accepting and reading our leaflets emblazoned with 'Lesbians and Gay Men Support the Miners'.

No we haven't eroded all prejudice. Yes we are covering new ground. How deep and lasting the change depends on other lesbians and gay men becoming involved now, pushing back the barriers, and through involvement helping to realise the dreams that many lesbians and gay men have nurtured since the early days of gay liberation in the early seventies: the struggle for sexual liberation and socialism.

The strike isn't over. Get involved. Help us, and lesbians and gay men in mining communities to create lasting conditions for change. come to our meetings and be a part of this vital struggle.

We meet every week at The Fallen Angel. Sundays at 6pm.
Nearest tube Angel.

VICTORY TO THE MINERS ***** LESBIAN AND GAY LIBERATION NOW.

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