

# The ~~W~~ Voice

Southwark's Squatting Comic

FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 1986

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CIRCULATION 1000

10p

## De-squatting

The council have finally adopted a de-squatting strategy as Lambeth council did in Brixton. The idea is to move tenants in as soon as possible once the squatted flat is evicted. It is used on heavily squatted estates where resistance & re-squatting is organised. What we need to do is to develop new techniques to handle this problem. Read the articles about Pullens and Rockingham to see how they coped with it and come to Tuesdays SNOW meeting.

## Pullens Estate

At 6.15am on Tuesday 10th June a large group of squatters and sympathetic tenants were out on the streets ready to resist the long awaited evictions. At app. 6.30am a convoy of bailiffs, police, subcontractors and removal vans came on to the estate to begin evictions. Due to massive resistance and heavily barricaded squats it took over an hour to evict the first squat.

In the meantime the convoy of vans which had stopped in Amelia St. were forced to move onto Crampton St. cos of various people letting down tyres and harassing the drivers etc. By this time scuffles had broken out between police & squatters trying to stop the boarding crews moving in. A few arrests were made and more scuffles followed in an attempt to stop the arrests. Police were posted to the entrances of the stairwells to protect the bailiffs from the hoards of angry squatters. The sickening sound of sledgehammers smashing into doors

## Agenda

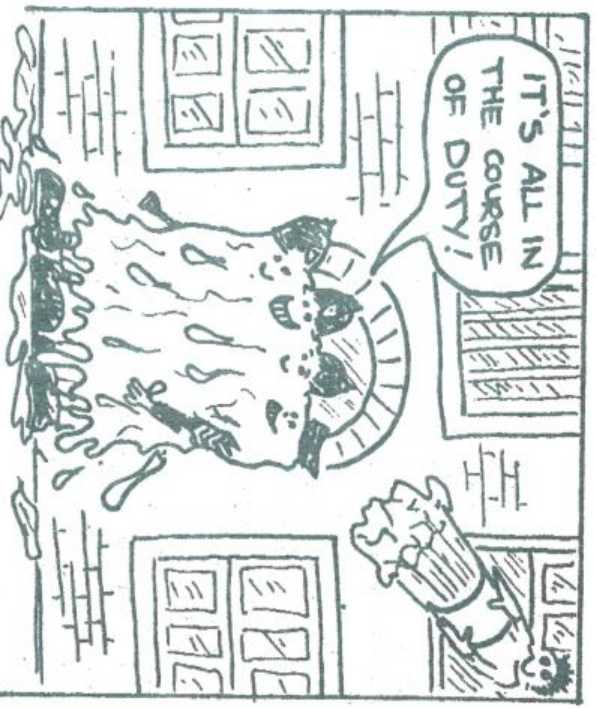
AGENDA next SNOW meeting Tues 16th June

7pm: 362

1. Wanna squat?; empties
2. Resquattings Rockingham, Pullens - whappened?
3. Coming resquattings Kinglake
4. Money, office rota
5. PIO's; court cases
6. WIRE
7. Anti-Appartheid video & speakers at 362?

could be heard above all the screaming and shouting. When eventually the bailiffs did get into the flats the occupants and their belongings were thrown onto the streets only to be welcomed by the cheering and clapping of their comrades supporting them. Tempers were running high. Photographers and media were running around everywhere to get the best shots. A band had struck up playing and continued all through the evictions. In Penton Place a cordon of app. 15 police was set up to protect the removal men as squatters had thrown removal equipment from the back of the vans onto the street

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## Pullens continued

The more artistic elements of the squatting community decided to redecorate the pigs by throwing green and white paint and the odd shit sandwich from the roof tops and windows. This was followed up by several buckets of water to give them a final rinse. Some carpenters who had been brought onto the estate were talked out of boarding up and left to the delightful applause from the street. The heavens opened and down came the rain. It seemed like it had put a damper on things and presense on the street was low but the best of the barricades was yet to come on Peacock St. It took them over 45 mins to get through one of the doors which was enforced with boards, steel and barbed wire with a concrete block behind it. The evictions finished about mid day as the re-squatting was taking place. A solicitor called round the resquatted flats to confirm the occupation before 2.15 pm when the keys were supposed to have been handed over to the prospective tenants.

The following day the carpenters returned to put on doors where the 'pre-allocates' were confirmed. To date we know that out of the 26 flats evicted, 19 are still re-squatted and 7 tenanted.

## Rockingham Estate

TUESDAY. 5 removal vans, workmen and about 100 or more police arrived at 5.30 am. The evictions were finished by 9.00am. People re-squatted between 11pm and 1.00am. All flats were evicted with the aid of large nos. of police. One squatter saw the warrants and reckons it was dated 26 June '85.

The council set up an office in 44 Martin Hse. That night 6 security guards patrolled the estate. Some squats were cracked but were fitted with security grills & padlocks. They were cracked open again later that night. Cleaners and workmen began tidying & repairing the flats as soon as they were evicted, presumably for the benefit of prospective tenants. Council workers were hampered in their work because someone had superglued the keyholes of their padlocks which had to be removed.



## Minutes

WEDNESDAY. The council and workmen arrived at 9.30 am and succeeded in giving tenancies to two flats using illegal PIO's. One tenant was a family with 3 children and the other was a young couple who had been on the waiting list for 5 weeks, lived in Harrow but wanted a flat in London. Police prevented a lynching.

Police smashed down the doors of 2 flats, the reason is unknown. The council and police tried to enforce a PIO which turned out to be a tenancy agreement & not a genuine PIO. They left when a SNOW member asked to see the PIO certificate. The final score was up to 30 flats evicted with most of them re-squatted Tuesday night, although a fair number of the squatters could have been intimidated out.

1/ Wanna squat? People wanting squats were sorted out.

2/ Resistance to evictions - Evictions probably start  
Resistance meeting Sunday 8th June

Breakfast parties for Kinglake.

3/ Court case - Elliotts Row.

4/ Money : Wire-£2.13 ; SNOW-£1.18

5/ 362 Rates - We need someone to sign on from here and claim for a rates allowance. Someone signing on, bringing B1 in so we can help fill it in.

6/ Leaflets - Wait until evictions are over

7/ Wireless - Next Friday - sticking together Thursday. Resistance meeting Sunday.

## Statements

SNOW supports homes for all homeless people ( regardless of race, religion, or national origin ).

SNOW condemns any divisive elements which attempt to turn squatters against squatters by claiming that empty property in London 'belongs us because we're English and you're not'

A home is a right

Not a privilege

The planet is everyone's.

# Kinglake Estate

On Monday 9th June there was a meeting for Kinglake/Alvey. Quite a few people turned up. The main news of the evening was from our local councillor. He had information that the evictions on Kinglake would not take place on Tuesday and also that those people who had been in touch with the council will receive a letter from the council before they are evicted.

On Tuesday most people got up bright eyed and bushy tailed at the crack of dawn (even Brendan, not a pretty sight). There was no sign of bailiffs, just the arrival of a police van and car. We got news that the bailiffs (spidee had arrived on Pullens & Rockingham at 6 o'clock. A group of people wandered down to these estates to join in with the resistance. The evictions proved to be heavy duty stuff and there was coverage on tv all day as well as reports from those who had gone down earlier. We still don't know when the evictions will happen on Kinglake & Alvey. Plans of the labour councillor believes that 13 of the flats have not been pre-allocated and this may be holding up evictions.

**THE SYDNEY HARD CORE PUNK**

ONE BORING DAY SYDNEY AND HIS FRIEND WENT TO THE PUB AND ORDERED BURGERS.

OH I'M HAVING MY OWN A TASTE NEVER MEAN SELF BUREAU UNDER A RESERVE SUN. WANTS FOR YOU?

AM THE SAME

OW WOW WANI WHAT A PUNKY TRASHY NOISE!

HEY WANI! GOSH! VEGAN! PSYCHODELLIC... LSD... PLEASE! DONALDSON... TRIPPY... LOVE... GONE... GOSH! LOVE!

THE EFFECTS OF THE ISO HADN'T COME ON YET AND SYDNEY DECIDED TO GO TO MAC DONALD'S FOR SPRINKLING TO EAT AFTER WRITING AND APPOINTING.

ONE NICK... GROSS! AND... PLEASE!

OOOOO I GIVE IN! NO MORE MEAT! MY CONSCIENCE WON'T LET ME - I CAN'T EAT IT! I'LL BECOME VEGETARIAN!

Throughout this week, a 6 o'clock patrol has been keeping a watchful eye for the appearance of bailiffs and police. It would be helpful to have more people doing this! We need to keep in touch with each other so that there is a strong resistance to greet the bailiffs when they decide to show their fat, ugly faces.

The alarm list already consists of 80 flats but we haven't yet managed to contact squatters in the other 30 flats. And as we get more details of what happened in Pullens & Rockingham we can work out how to handle the council's de-squating strategy.

## 69 Donations

2.13	SNOW METTING
1.50	SERGE
50	JOHN
4.13	Office
50	
4.63	ROTHES
4.00	
3.63	
30	DOUGLAS
8.93	
40	TINA
9.42	
1.00	TROOTS OUT
59	JOHANN
11.01	
20.1	
18.2	

LAST WEEK COST 16.80 + TRIP 41

WITHOUT A THOUGHT ABOUT THE COW THEY BOTH INDULGE IN EATING.

WOW, THIS BURGERS "DELICIOUS" REALLY TASTY!

THIS FRAME HAS BEEN CENSORED, SORRY NO MEAT EATING IN THIS CARTOON.

LATER THAT NIGHT SYDNEY GOES HOME FOR HIS WELL EARNED REST AND DATES TO HIS FAVOURITE GROUP CONFLICT.

THE FACTORY IS... CAUTIONING ON ALL... PROCESSED, MEXICAN AND NEXT AN OBSERVE... PURCHASED SUBSTITUTE... AND THE LABEL READS... MEAT!

YOU MEAT! EATING BURGERS... YOU'VE GOT TO STOP YOUR SUCKING HEAD OFF!

ONE MEAT-MINUTE LATER...

HELP!

SO ON THE WAY TO THE LOCAL WHOLEFOOD SHOP FOR SOMETHING TASTIER TO EAT SYDNEY STOPS TO ADVISE THE SERVERS AND POSHER...

WOOOO!... LOOK AT THE TITS ON THAT!

BUY THIS PRODUCT

WELL MAYBE HE'S NOT A SAINT YET - BUT HOW LONG WILL HIS CONSCIENCE LET HIM BE SEXIST? Nabby

NO DON'T

YUM, YUM!

THE END

# COMING EVENTS.

## Robert's Food Co-op

Cheapo wholefoods available on Sunday afternoons from:  
16 Downville Grove, SES  
or by arrangement  
(phone 708 1812).

Now in stock:  
Soya milk, peanut butter, apple juice, concentrate, miso, barleycup, malt, flour, oats, barley, kidney beans, split peas, blackeyes, green lentils, thyme, sage, mixed herbs, peppermint.  
Prices as in last wire (69).  
Please bring suitable containers (bags, bottles, whatever) for your purchases. Ta.

## P.I.O.s

On Tuesday evening we heard about three so-called PIO evictions happening on Wednesday morning (11th July) - These included 9 Brockley Hse. & 110 Wendover. We turned up Wed morning - nothing happened by 2.30. As soon as we get more info we'll let you know.

Friday the Thirteenth of June 1986 at 8pm

**WORLD DOMINATION ENTERPRISES**

**The BAMBURI SLAM**

**GINEMA**

**The Ashes**

5.2.00  
8.1.00  
Conds.

and other dirt buildings - 11pm - 11.5

## ALT LONDON SQUATTERS GATHERING

313 UPPER ST. N1 SUN 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE Non-Stop Picket  
(EX-CITY LIMITS OFFICE) - 6pm - SOUTH AFRICA HOUSE, TRAFALGAR SQ

### THE LEVELLERS

Live at the ZAP CLUB, beneath the pier at Brighton Beach, Brighton.

also

all day beach party  
THURSDAY 26th JUNE.

For information about show price and transport contact 18 Downville Grove.

### LOST IN TRANSIT

Live at the HORROR CLUB  
Upstairs at the King of Belgium Pub  
Tooley St. nr Druid St.  
of London Bridge.  
FRIDAY 8-12pm, 27th June '86.  
Price £1.50, members & UB40 £1.

\* JOKE \*

Q. Whats blue with green & white spots and wet all over ?

A. Police at Pullens evictions.

Greetings fellow squatters , social drop outs, drug fiends etc.

I am Johan Neier, and I am part of the release Nelson Mandela, & other S.African & Namibian POLITICAL PRISONERS. We have now been outside the South African

Embassy for 56 days and we are not leaving until Mandela is released. We have a petition which we are asking passers by to sign supporting our aims, copies of which will be left at the SNOW

office, for you to come in and sign. We are also having a day of action on the 16/6/86 at 6pm to commemorate the uprising of the youth of Soweto. There will be music, speakers etc. This is a 24hr non-stop picket. We are there 7 days a week - for 24hrs a day. Please come and support us. Sign our petition, take some of our leaflets to give to friends, workmates etc. and come along to our day of action.

P.S. We get hassle from the pigs who are guarding the embassy. The more people on the picket the less the bastards do so show your solidarity with us, a people united will never be defeated.