

Trouble in Paradise?

Recent developments in our Lovely parliament

By Psychotic Mike

Kieran, the current foreign affairs minister, founder of Radio Lovely and Lovely's parliament, handed over the password to his parliament site early on Wednesday morning to the political parties, out of a wish to focus his efforts on Radio Lovely. Having hoped that this would lead to greater progress towards the future of Lovely, out of anticipation that the parties would have a strong sense of urgency in implementing an electoral system, and would work quickly and efficiently to do so.

The adjustment in allocation of power would, and should, have led to the parliament reaching unprecedented levels of public interaction and control, leading to significant progress in the attempts to establish itself as a “lovely” institution. This magnificent step could have caused Lovely to become a better structured, fairer, and a generally better nation.

Sadly, the passwords found their way into the wrong hands, and someone changed the password and took many of the pages and facilities of the site, including the commonly used forum with over 100 citizens signed up to it, and the parliament chamber. This has caused much suspicion and accusation, towards the various political parties, Kieran, and some of the administrators on the forum (who never received the passwords to the site). However these are only theories, based entirely on what is generally considered circumstantial evidence. Notably the growing usage of the parliament forum for J-DIC (joint-defense-intelligence committee), a military organization which was declared unofficial by Kieran immediately after the reported “civil war” in response to the events between Babkha and Sulifree.

Hopefully Lovely can move on from these sad events, and we can return to working together towards achieving democracy, despite this tragic setback. Those of us who are eager to see Lovely become a democratic nation are not deterred by this damaging act and will continue to strive towards this goal.

Spamvertism

By Psychotic Mike

Spamvertism, often viewed as unwanted, but necessary to making sure as many citizens as possible are aware of the options available to them and the efforts of others. Those accused of spamming argue that this simple method is much quicker and requires far less effort than most others, and asking and waiting for a reply in so many threads would consume far much more time. It is however, an issue of etiquette and politeness (yes, this is coming from me), and many find spam, in any form, a deeply unwelcome act of intrusion, even if the intentions are ultimately good.

I like to think of threads as shops, and the advertising as putting a sign up in the window. If asked, almost every shop owner will agree and happily put an advert up, especially if the cause - as most of the current spamvertism is - is one beneficial to the country. However many shop owners, and indeed customers, will be annoyed, to varying degrees, if someone puts up an advert in their shop without asking, and will almost certainly remove the sign. The same applies to spamvertism in Lovely and those currently in the thread. Hardly anyone will object if asked, but many people will attempt to remove, via the means of moderation, often causing resentment from both parties.

The best attempt so far to reduce this has probably been the transport thread,

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1048375>

where most advertisements are now placed, majorly reducing spamvertism. Some people still feel that to reach the maximum possible audience they need to post in at least the most active threads, if not all.

The Not So Lovely Hoax

By Citizen Saz

Towards the end of 2005 Lovely was rocked with the shocking news that the forum was due to be downsized. This was posted a message on each of the boards, apparently by a member of Leafstorm... or so the nickname alleged.

The original message read: *"Thank you all for contributing to this forum and making it such a Lovely place. Unfortunately due to recent server issues and increased online traffic we need to downsize the Citizens Required message boards. From 6th January 2006 the following message boards will be withdrawn: The Constitution, What should our country be called, Elections, Security, Economy, Food and Drink, New Ideas, International Relations, Animal, Media, arts and culture, Potential Queens, Environment, Science and Technology, Language, Law and Order. The remaining message boards will operate as normal. This will bring Citizens Required in line with other BBCi communities. Apologies for any inconvenience caused."*

Apart from seeming highly unlikely, considering the fact that Leafstorm had previously been working to set up Super Users to help as a go between for citizens and moderators, which would imply that it had ideas to move the site forward, and that some of the boards which were apparently due to be shut down were popular with posters - it just seemed to

many to be a strange way to inform users of their plans.

There was no official message anywhere on the Citizens Required homepage, and no email sent via the King Danny Newsletter to support this news. Until formal notification was given by an official source, a majority of people merely dismissed this announcement as false.

But what if it was real? A few people were unsure, and their concern would continue.

The nickname of the poster said they were a Leafstorm employee, but nicknames are easy to create and of course gave no evidence of authenticity. Wouldn't a proper Leafstorm representative have something against their name to mark them out as genuine, in the same way that King Danny has a crown icon next to his name?

Contact was made with Leafstorm, and the Series Producer of "How To Start Your Own Country" issued this response:

It was brought to our attention earlier today that a citizen is contributing to the message boards pretending to be part of the leafstorm administration team.

I would like to assure you that this person is NOT part of the leafstorm team, and that no one from leafstorm will ever use these message boards to communicate official news (good or bad) to the citizens.

In terms of the future of Lovely, we are working alongside Danny and the BBC to ensure it continues to evolve and expand. This is evident in the most recent commitment to produce online episodes of Citizen TV.

However, like any nation state, Lovely depends on the continuing support of its citizens to make it great. Needless to say, both leafstorm and the BBC have been overwhelmed by the amount of time and effort everyone has put in to the country - and we hope it will continue for the foreseeable future.

Have a Lovely Christmas

So, if anything, this must reassure all of us that the future of Lovely is still bright, and that everyone - be they citizens, Leafstorm, or even King Danny himself – we're all committed to making Lovely bigger and better in 2006.

The mystery culprit of the hoax messages swiftly had his nickname removed, and was sent to the Lovely prison as punishment for his crimes. His incarceration continues to this day.

Editor's Comments: I would like to point out that the Guardian Angel was not in any way aware of or involved in any of the following, and that the sentiments expressed are solely those of the author.

(Although I do think we need to take this in good spirits and show we all have a sense of humour. I can see the funny side)

The Leafstorm Hoax

By Revolutionary1

On the 20th December 2005 the following message was posted on all of the Citizens Required message boards by somebody claiming to be a member of the Leafstorm Administration Team –

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When the hoax was exposed the perpetrator had his nickname reset and was imprisoned and pre-moderated. His identity has remained a mystery...until now.

It was me all along!

As many people have speculated I did indeed get the idea from watching Danny Wallace's Hoax Files the night before. I was inspired and decided to put together a hoax of my own, and the Citizens Required boards seemed to be the ideal audience. I had the idea of a fake official message, claiming some of the message boards would be withdrawn. Luckily server problems had shut the website down a day before so that gave the message added credibility. I just needed a new account to post the message and so Steve Collins, Leafstorm Administration Team, was born.

On the morning of Tuesday 20th December I posted the message on every message board for maximum exposure. The actual boards mentioned in the post were picked at random, not because of their size or importance. The one thing that could really give it away was the lack of any official logo after the nickname, so I tried to mimic the terminology used by the moderators and administrators as close as possible. As I finished posting the message the replies were starting to pile up, and people seemed to accept it. But I knew the super users would be harder to fool, since they have had personal contact with Leafstorm. Would they accept the message as genuine?

When I returned to check later that day I found the scam had been exposed. By checking the replies to the General Chat hoax message I discovered that the super users had been suspicious and contacted Leafstorm, who seemed to be fairly angry about it for some reason. My Steve Collins nickname had been reset, the account pre-moderated and imprisoned for a seemingly indefinite sentence. The lack of an official logo had indeed been the flaw in the hoax. I was also shocked to see that somebody had figured out that I was the culprit, but amusingly nobody else believed him. So congratulations to brbrbrbrbrbrb, the only citizen to see through the scam and guess it was me.

The King's Newsletters

In the unlikely event that any of you have not signed up to the King's Newsletter, we will publish it for you every fortnight.

19-12-2005

Hello my Lovely Citizens

I have some very exciting news for all of you - it's been a long time coming, but I can now proudly announce that Citizen TV is now up and running on the website. Yes you heard me right, go to <http://www.citizensrequired.com> to see what has been happening in our Country.

Pass the news on to everyone you know and spread the word of Lovely, we still need 7000

new citizens in order to overtake the Marshall Islands and make us the biggest little country in the world.

In other news, our Foreign Minister Kieran and some other citizens have set up Radio Lovely. So far there have been 2 radio shows and if you listen to the first show you can hear the clips from the Christmas party and a short message from your beloved King.
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1703937>

<http://www.radiolovely.com>

Identity Card has started a thread to find the top 10 Lovely Citizens of the year. It will be interesting to see who comes out as your favourite, although to me you are all wonderful and deserve to win. Without you Lovely wouldn't be lovely at all.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1512437>

For those who missed my impromptu Question Time on the forum a few weeks ago, below is the link. I hope to do another Question Time in the new year, so keep checking back for details.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1454162&skip=120&show=20>

Citizen Mcfarlmo has started a Lovely Advent Calendar. I am looking forward to seeing all the pictures that you have designed.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1594831>

http://uk.pg.photos.yahoo.com/ph/lovely_advent/my_photos

Finally if the return of Citizen TV wasn't exciting enough, last Saturday saw the first Citizen Christmas Party. I would like to thank all the organisers and all the citizens that attended. I must say it was lovely to see so many of you there. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as I did. The links below have photos from the party and everyone's highlights. But if you want to see what happened, who was there and what piece of our national treasure fell under the hammer in our very first charity auction then check out the website on Friday 23rd December for a special Christmas addition of Citizen TV!!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1685357>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1684990&skip=0&show=20>

If you have any photos/movies of how you have been promoting Lovely or from the Christmas Party then please email me at danny@citizensrequired.com

I hope you all have a great Christmas and a Lovely New Year.

King Danny I of Lovely

22-12-2005

Merry Christmas my Lovelies

I hope you all have enjoyed the first webcast of Citizen TV, remember Citizen TV is all about you and I can't make it without your contributions. Please send in your videos by email to citentv@citizensrequired.com or by post to Citizen TV, PO Box 47089, London,

SW18 9AG.

A special Christmas edition of Citizen TV is now on the website. So if you want to see who attended the party, which citizens won the loveliest dressed competition and how much a piece of our country's history sold for go to <http://www.citizensrequired.com>

Once again I would like to thank the organisers of the party for a great night and the following citizens were awarded OEDs -Veer-soon-for-marmalade, ID05, Lady Evilina, Steve Cobden, Harvey and CoolMin. As OED holders already the following citizens have received what I like to call an OED2: Roving Ambassador of the North, Citizen Saz and Princess Hayley. Congratulations to you all.

The Christmas Issue of the Guardian Angel is now available. A few citizens have written about their highlights of the party and all the exciting things have taken place in Lovely over the past couple of weeks.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1747363>

<http://www.thega.org/home.html>

The link below has a number of citizen's top 10 threads of the year. If you have a favourite and want it to be named "Thread Of The Year" then make sure you add it to the thread to be included in the final count.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1580682&skip=0&show=20>

Finally, 2005 has been a very memorable year for Lovely. My highlights since founding Lovely include the naming of our country in Leicester Square, managing to get over 52000 people to become citizens and of course the Christmas Party. I am looking forward to seeing what 2006 brings. I only have one New Year's Resolution and that is to become the biggest little country in the world - so spread the word and lets overtake the Marshall Islands.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,
God save the Citizens
King Danny

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Lovely Twin?

By Mcfarlmo

Lovely is a real place. No really. It exists.

This isn't one of those existential discussions that sometimes get going on the threads – “are we real?” and so forth. Lovely actually exists. In fact, there are at least two other Lovelys

Let me explain.

A while ago I was surfing on Google for Lovely stuff (as you do). I hit upon a US maps site <http://teraserver.microsoft.com/image.aspx?T=2&S=14&Z=17&X=219&Y=1391&W=1> and found a intersection near the town of Pleasantville.

Now don't get too excited. There's not much there. From the picture it seems to be a small collection of buildings – perhaps a farm.

Lovely is on Lovely Road – which runs from Blue knob State Park to Pleasantville (There are 3 Pleasantvilles in Pa alone!)

I looked more closely and found another map. <http://www.mapquest.com/maps>.

Now take a look at the place names round about.. What do you see? King! And nearby – Queen! For the rebels there's Ryot, for the strip club members, Blue Knob and for anyone with a sense of the absurd (and isn't that most of us?) - Scalp Level, Puzzletown, Cypher, Old Shade Furnace, Mench, Ott Town and my particular favourite, Nanty Glo. Does this sound like the kind of place we should share a name with? I think so.

Zoom in far enough and you can even see Lois Lane – no I'm not kidding!

The nearest town of any size is Alum Bank – named that because there is, yep, you've guessed it, alum there.

Pleasantville is part of Alum Bank , or at least the post office designation of it is. – Confused? I certainly am!

So far I have not been able to find anything else much about Lovely Pa. There is a Church, there was a cemetery. Err that's about it. But there is a restaurant nearby: Pleasantville Restaurant on Rr 56, Alum Bank. So, when you're in the area – you will be visiting won't you? – there is somewhere to eat. And you can stay at the West Vu Inn which has 16 rooms and a portable treadmill available for rental.

Aha, I hear you say, you said there were at least two Lovelys.

Well, I went back to terraserver and searched again. It turns out there are two more Lovelys in the USA.

The first didn't appear on the map – it's meant to be in Oregon. Obviously a secret!

The second is in Martin County in Kentucky and is, improbably, near a place called Kermit (Pop. 209 and just over the border in West Virginia for those you who care about these things) and another place called Beauty. There is also a neighbouring hamlet rejoicing in the name of Oppy.

<http://teraserver.microsoft.com/image.aspx?t=2&s=14&x=117&y=1308&z=17&w=1&qs=%7clovely%7c%7c>

Lovely, Kentucky is a mining community – part of the West Virginia and Kentucky minefields. So it has resources which could be useful in our search for territory. In 2000 the county population was 12,578 in a land area of 230.70 square miles, an average of 54.5 people per square mile. Which means there should be room for at least some of us. There are some shops and businesses in the area. Lovely itself has a florist shop – for all your floral delivery needs. Kermit has a range of facilities including a Pizza Hut. (I have also found several single men looking for companionship in the Lovely area but I'm

keeping their details to myself.)

A little further afield is Inez, the county town, it has a cinema, a community centre and the Big Sandy US Penitentiary. (Another facility we could make use of perhaps?)

If you want to visit Lovely, may I suggest the Super 8 Motel in Inez (which is the county seat of Martin) Route 40 Blacklog Road only 7.5 Miles From Lovely

What I haven't been able to do is make contact with the good people of either Lovely. Emails have so far gone unanswered. And the GA budget doesn't stretch to fact-finding trips to the US.

So twinning isn't on the cards just yet. But watch this space. I'll keep you posted.

POLITICS

Glories Party

Home Affairs Policy

By Carl Davies

Courts

We will create two courts - a High Court and the Supreme Court. Cases in the High Court will be heard and decided by judge and jury and cases in the Supreme Court by Law Lords.

Security

CTU shall be responsible for prevention and detection of terrorism and will form part of a larger Intelligence Agency reporting to the Minister of Home Affairs.

The King will be provided with a personal bodyguard and protection will also be offered to government officials and other senior politicians.

Certain members of the police force will be given moderator powers.

Immigration

We will amend the "All are welcome none may leave" policy. Known or suspected terrorists will not be allowed to enter the country. Expulsion from the country will be a form a punishment used as a last resort for dangerous criminals. Those wishing to leave the country by choice will be allowed to do so.

Spam

We will have clearer rules for what constitutes spam and spamming will be made a criminal offence. Offenders will be offered the chance of rehabilitation before being punished.

Prison

Prison will be used only for serious crimes and only after a fair trial in a court.

Contact: Home Secretary

The New Year

The FFF Column

Dear Kingdom of Lovely Citizens,

I would like to take this opportunity to express and convey my regards and greetings to you. As the New Year dawns upon us, it is befitting that we use this time to reflect and contemplate about the previous year and intend new resolutions.

Over the many months, the Kingdom of Lovely has witnessed great changes. Not only does it boast a burgeoning population, but it also boasts a wide range of political parties that draws crowds from all over the political spectrum.

The FFF party, which stands for the Fluffy Friendly Federation, expresses its utmost pleasure and honor for being offered a column here at GA. We thank GA and wish them prosperity and good luck. Looking back on the year of 2005, the FFF is happy to have achieved some of the following accomplishments:

1. Official parliamentary recognition.
2. Successful campaigning throughout the months ushered in a new age of unprecedented support and new members to the party.
3. A fully running official Website.
4. Good relations with other political parties.

At the same time, the FFF urges all citizens to start with a new slate. Wiping away the mistakes of others, cooperation, active involvement will help Lovely achieve its pinnacle of honor and chivalry. At a time when many differences arise, we must hold tight to the guidelines of respect, honor, dignity and cooperation. Over the past few months, Lovely witnessed many new events that eclipsed its great accomplishments. The FFF strives for unity and cooperation amongst Lovely's citizens and political parties. At the same time, we urge all citizens to try to make Lovely the best it can be. It is through cooperation do we truly achieve success and usher a new age of peace, tranquillity and success for Lovely.

Again, the FFF wishes all a happy new year and peace for all. Thank You.

Happy New Year Lovely

The PoE Column

By me_ikjhgfdsa

New Year is often considered a good time to look forward and back and in this spirit I think I will give a brief synopsis. Lovely has so far existed since it was declared independent on the 1st January 2005, the first episode of How To Start Your Own Country was aired on the 3rd August and the first imprisonments were on the 24th August, the parliament at www.theparliament.org.uk was declared open on Oct 21st by Kieran and has now been all but destroyed by crackers (the correct term for 'hackers').

How will this affect democracy? Obviously we can't have a parliamentary democracy without a site for the politicians to meet in and we can't have a direct democracy without a

forum (in the traditional and modern sense) for such debate. So the democratic process will be delayed at the very least and that is very unfortunate. Without a parliament and with a King who has a career to think of and so will most probably just allow himself to take a more passive role in government - there is a problem as to what will happen to power if a proper authority is not forthcoming. Personally I dislike most governments but I do think that an oligarchy of people who wield power due to a royal declaration a long (in comparison to the history of Lovely) time ago is one of the worst. The longer that a parliament is delayed the greater the odds of a person with power (any of His Majesty's Ministers, appointed persons responsible for this and that or one of various self-appointed busybodies) will claim more and more power and eventually make decisions which will mar the route to democracy (or whatever other form of civilised government develops). After all while these figures may see the actions they will have Lovely taking as beneficial they are only able to look at one perspective; it needs proper debate and discussion to be sure that any state action is beneficial to all the Lovelies in Lovely.

The Party of Erinyes naturally needs to help a stable political system take over from the unstable partially devolved power of the monarch which currently exists and hopefully every other group calling itself a political party will join in and make a positive impact to the transition of power (without the Americans having to blow themselves up over it!).

Happy New Year Lovely! See you on the boards.

PoE Statement

By Schaferlord

The news about the collapse of Lovely's first attempt at creating a Parliament is sad news indeed. The Party of Erinyes has been a keen supporter of the Parliament and Democracy in general in Lovely and the fact that such actions took place against the Parliament on the dawn of a new age of unprecedented power devolution to the people who made up the Parliament makes it sadder still. We would like to thank Kieran for all his work in facilitating the process and sticking with it even when it seemed a thankless task due to the ungrateful nature of actions that have taken place in the past. Still Lovely has no democratic government and with the Party of Erinyes being the party of the people, we have to continue to work towards this end goal so rest assured that we will not be forced off the chase by this setback however major it seems at the moment. The Party of Erinyes will continue to support any attempt to bring democracy to Lovely wholeheartedly as we believe it is in the best interests of all Lovelies and is what the Lovelies want.

Official Press Release

The EasyPeasyParty

By Babs - Leader of the EasyPeasyParty

Having been told that the former CE of the Parliament, Kieran Collins, had handed over the majority of control to the 5 main parties - PoE, FFF, RV, The Glories and us - I attended an emergency meeting with leaders and senior members of the 5 main parties to discuss this and another matter (see another section). In attendance were, PsychoticMike (PoE), Barc0de (FFF), Lord Sam (RV), Home Secretary (Glories) and Myself. We agreed

on informing the citizens ASAP and so that is why we informed 'The GA'. In short - all the parties will now play a part in the running of the Parliament as we will be holding a meeting before any changes are made to the site.

Thank You.

CULTURE

Ch-easter: The next Big Lovely Event...

By PirateAsTheArtist

Yes, Ch-easter is coming soon: April 21st 2006 to be precise, and it's proving to be a big talking-point amongst our Citizens.

This will be a more family-oriented event, with some events taking place in the daytime, and others (for the grown-ups) into the evening. There may even be things to do the following morning, for those who are planning to stay overnight.

The location, as the name suggests, is the city of Chester in Cheshire – hopefully a cheesy enough place for certain Citizens!

A number of events have been suggested on the hugely-popular “Lovely May Day Easter Parade” thread. Here is a selection (with the poster's credit) that I have collected by trawling through most of the 156 pages there at the time of writing:

- National Hill Rolling Championship (Citizen Wilf)
- ID dressed as a giant bunny rabbit (BJC)
- Easter scavenger hunt (Laura)
- Egg painting and rolling (Laura)
- Radio Lovely recording (sort of "Band Aid" style) with people wandering in and out leaving comments or even contributing to a Lovely "Cheaster Song" (PAsTA)
- Mad Hatters Tea Party hosted by the TAS (McFarlmo)
- Radio Lovely to record a Pirating Adventure for future broadcast. (PAsTA)
- Fancy Dress (Anon)
- Picnics (Anon)
- Joinee rolling (Anon)
- Egg and spoon race, sack race, three legged race (Cuddly Carpy)
- Face painting (Cuddly Carpy)

The event is currently being organized by Roving Ambassador for the Northwest (Laura) and Bear/Ste, although I am sure they will welcome any help that may be forthcoming – please let them know if you can offer any assistance.

After the fantastic success of the Lovely Christmas Party, I am sure that this event will be something to remember for all who can make it there. It is through meeting people face-to-face that our online friendships can be strengthened, and it is such fun to meet up with all those people we have all been corresponding with. To meet up on such a large scale is a rare opportunity for everyone that I urge as many as possible to try and be there –

Ch-easter will be brilliant!

See you there!

For more information, see the Ch-easter website. <http://get-me.to/lovelycheaster>

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LSD in Lovely

By citizen Saz

Apart from the usual honours bestowed upon citizens at the Christmas Party, there was another official title granted by the King: LSD.

So what, you may ask, is LSD. The GA were granted an interview with Lovely's very own millionaire Identitycard05 in order to learn more about it.

Saz: So Mr ID05, the Christmas Party last week resulted in many new honours and titles amongst citizens, but the most interesting of which must of course be King Danny bestowing upon you the title of LSD, could you tell us what this stands for?

Identitycard05: LSD stands for Lovely Stilton Dealer. I have been using this title unofficially for a while, and at the Christmas Party I asked King Danny to make it official, which he did. It was witnessed by a number of Citizens, including Amber Prophet.

Saz: Stilton? As in the cheese?

Identitycard05: As in the cheese, yes. Strictly blue stilton. Not white. White is for lightweights.

Saz: The term "dealer" is often linked with the darker side of things, drug dealers, used car dealers, poker dealers... is this at all associated to the Ministry of General Debauchery, a group which you chaired for a long while in Lovely

Identitycard05: The dealing of Stilton is completely separate to the Min.Ge.D. There were a couple of "drug" type members of the Ministry, but they are among those who subsequently vanished from Lovely when the school holidays ended. As for Poker dealing, you'd have to ask the Ministry's Gambler

Saz: Is there a big demand for stilton in Lovely then?

Identitycard05: indeed there is. At the Christmas Party I passed around an array of Stilton Cheese-sticks (made by mcfarlmo – see recipe after this article) and they were so popular I almost didn't get to try one myself!

Identitycard05: And since the party I have had requests for where to find Stilton in Citizen's local towns

Saz: So it all started at the Christmas party?

Identitycard05: It gained in popularity there. By the way, I have no idea who created the "...stilton" badges.

Saz: Badges? and official by royal appointment? so this is a 100% legit society?

Identitycard05: Yes, badges. and they weren't made by our usual Super-Badger. Yes, this is a 100% legit society. After all, it's only cheese.

Identitycard05: by the way, here's photo of the stilton eating at the Party:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/kingofnarnia/72376632/in/set-1555602/>



“Two citizens trying stilton straws at the Christmas Party.”

[Picture credit: Thorne]

Saz: So should any citizens reading this be interested in acquiring some stilton, how would they contact you? is there a certain area of Lovely where it's done?

Identitycard05: currently the LSD operates from this thread:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2484597?thread=1504115>

Saz: do you advertise your LSD services, or is it by word of mouth?

Identitycard05: so far just word of mouth. The whole thing began with the consumption of Beef and Stilton Pasties after one of the London Meets.

Identitycard05: message 36 on the thread is mcfarlmo's stilton straw recipe, for those who want to give it a try

Saz: Do you request other stilton recipies from citizens, or is it in its pure form that you're most interested in it?

Identitycard05: All stilton recipes are welcome. It can of course be eaten in its pure form, but regular use can lead to addiction. I know of one Citizen who eats stilton everyday.

Saz: Are there any effects to worry about?

Saz: That you know of.

Identitycard05: Just a slight tendency to waffle inanely, a failure to stop grinning, and perhaps manual manipulation of one's face. I have a theory that a little-known side-effect involves shouting the word "INSTRUMENTAL" during renditions of our Anthem.

Saz: (laughs)

Identitycard05: with the emphasis on "...mental" ,perhaps

Saz: are there any restrictions for stilton consumption, young children, the elderly, those who are pregnant etc?

Identitycard05 : Young children should be kept away from savoury blue foodstuffs of any kind. At the discretion of parents or guardians they may be allowed to taste Blueberry Muffins on special occasions. There are no restrictions for the elderly, but pregnant women of both sexes must be aware that it can be dangerous to mix stilton and coal.

Saz: (laughs) Do you also deal in blueberry muffins if requested, like a special family pack?

Identitycard05: I will stick with just the Savoury foodstuffs, and let others take on the Unsavoury.

Saz: Thank you for your time, as King Danny says, "you rock"

*Identitycard05: No, *you* rock!*

Saz: Is there any final comment you'd like to add?

Identitycard05: just one thing...

Identitycard05: ...stilton

Lovely Stilton Straw Recipe

By Mcfarlmo

Ingredients:

- Puff pastry (ready made)
- Stilton
- Egg for glaze

- Grate the stilton
- Roll out pastry till it's approx as thin as a penny
- Sprinkle stilton over surface
- Fold over pastry a couple of times
- Roll out again
- Cut into strips – what ever length or width you fancy
- Lay out on a backing tray lined with grease proof paper – (they will stick!)
- Chill for a bit (the pastry and yourself!)
- Brush pastry strips with egg
- Bake in oven at approx...erm... 200ish (see pastry packet for exact temperature) for 10 minutes
- Allow to cool completely before taking them off the paper – they will disintegrate otherwise.
- Enjoy!

Disclaimer: The GA would like all citizens to use stilton carefully, and hold no responsibility

The History of the GA

By Rocking

So its 2006 yay! We made it. Lovely is still here and so is the Guardian Angel, or as us in the know like to call it the GA. I think the theme of this issue of the paper is looking to the future! So what better way to look to the future than by looking back into the past, twisted logic but I'm just doing what I was told (I'm still in holiday mode so missed the meeting while out raving it up, I turned up 2 hours late and they gave me this article to do).

Now you'll be thinking, "why are you telling us about the history of the GA I saw you at the Xmas meet you look about 12". Well Mr smart-ass I have believe it or not been the longest running member of the GA that's still about. I have been there since pretty much day 1 or 2 I'm not quite sure, the true founding of the paper will remain a mystery forever. But ill tell you all that I know.

Having just looked at the start of the GA thread Comrade bowl posted before me, but meh he took a long holiday and probably missed out something. Ok well it was The Earl of Dudley who was the first editor of the paper. So I'm pretty sure he was the one that came up with the idea to do a paper for the as yet unnamed country. The thread on this is also lost and it was Suzkin who bought the paper to the people in its first and now legendary thread "'Guardian Angel' newspaper needs correspondents!" This was created on the 10th of august 2005 (do you really care about dates? I think it makes it a bit more professional) This was just a few days into the creation of the country as a whole and I'm pretty sure it's the oldest and definitely the most well put together organisation of Lovely. As the Earl of Dudley was never seen again, Suzkin took over as editor, although keeping the title sub-editor so as to connect with the people and not seem to high up. A great editor without who none of you would have a national paper at all. A lot of thanks due there.

So there it was the country had its first national newspaper. The drive for recruiting reporters started from there and has continued to this day. But after a week or two there were plenty of people ready for the first issue. You would have thought someone would have thought about this earlier, how to get a paper to people though the Internet, but no one had so a few more weeks were spent on figuring out just how this would happen. WikiCities had the answer and the first version of the paper was created by the GA's first tech guy The Fool (thanks a lot!).

There it was the first issue of the GA, Online for all to see and enjoy (I think the first issue came out on the 18th of august). With the headline: Interview with Jason Bates by Kris, Chairman of Bow Flat Utd (see with that link you can actually go to the first version of the GA, its like going back in time). The Advantage of the Wiki was that you could update it yourself anytime you wanted. So whenever one of the reporters had a new story no waiting about for silly deadlines up it went right away. This was a major advantage of the Wiki as it was updated pretty much every other day.

All was going smoothly when the GA suffered its first hiccup. Suzkin was leaving! Oh no what were we going to do now? Editorless we thought we were doomed until someone had the great idea of getting a new editor to do the job instead. And so "elections" where held, in which we all said either Pixie or Dantzig should do it, we need people who weren't going to leave anytime soon and give their lives to the paper, which to some extent they

have (go them). In the end everyone got their way when both said they would share the job. And so with our new editors we were on track again.

We got through that one fine, and were back on track. A couple more updates of the Wiki passed when someone had the great idea of doing a "proper" web site with "proper" issues of the paper. To be honest I was against this at first as I liked the freedom of being able to update the paper when and with what I liked. Dantzig set up www.thega.org. which would become our full time home. I think for about 1 issue the .org site and the Wiki lived together in harmony. Everyone updating the Wiki and then the other site being updated every 2 weeks. The first .org issue had a headline written by me. http://www.thega.org/ga_archive.html.

Since then the paper has been updated regularly every 2 weeks on a Saturday night. Only stopping recently due to the Xmas holidays. With stable editors now and a team of "hardcore" reports behind them you can expect the GA will be around for as long as Lovely is.

Finally if you've read all of this well done my god its long and frankly quite dull. Next issue Ill do a follow up article. GA: The sex, The Lies and The Scandal. As I've conveniently missed all the juicy stuff out. So until next time BE GOOD!

(The editor would like to express her doubt that such an article would ever make it to publication or even be possible, considering the squeaky clean history of the Guardian Angel)

SOCIETY

Citizen of the year

By **identitycard05**

Back in November I started the Citizen Of The Year thread, asking Citizens to nominate their ten favourite other Citizens, and awarding 10 points for 1st place, 9 points for 2nd place, and so on. Here is the thread:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/dannywallace/F2262799?thread=1512437>

At the end of December I totalled up the results, on a secret thread on a hidden message board. Despite being first on nobody's list (King Danny was first on three lists but failed to reach the final Top 10), I found myself the winner, and so I am Citizen Of The Year 2005. Thank you, you're too kind! No, really!

I felt a bit bad about winning, since it was me who started the thing, and decided how the scoring would work, and did the adding up at the end. So I tried to belatedly disqualify myself, and declared runner-up psychoticmike as the winner. It seems the Citizens didn't agree, and quickly reinstated me as Citizen Of The Year.

I want to thank everyone who voted (not just for me, but for everyone) and I want to thank King Danny for mentioning the thread in his newsletter and thus giving it some kind of official recognition sort of. And finally I want to thank Hobo for instigating the important discussion on the rights and wrongs of voting for one's favourite Citizens.

GOODBYE PIXIE!

As our dear friend and colleague leaves Lovely to pursue new opportunities in foreign lands (Leeds) the citizens of Lovely mourn their loss. But rest assured, she will be having a great time and is sure to be back with us soon. Here are the goodbye messages to Pixie from all her friends in Lovely. Although, as Marie points out, perhaps see you soon would be more appropriate. After all, we're not going to let her get away now are we?

I will miss Pixie very much. Her active and of late moral support in running the paper has been invaluable, but far more importantly, her friendship has changed my world. I remember the first time I met Emily Perry. And then all the times I forgot about her and discovered her all over again. I remember all the mad arguing that went on in the beginning. I remember all the late night conversations, and one in particular that changed my life and that I will be eternally grateful for. Thank you. Thank you for making me face the world. God knows how long it would have taken without you. I'm not good at friends. I tend to let them drift away. That is not going to happen this time. Some people are too precious to lose. Have fun in Leeds. Listen to the rhubarb. And make sure you come back.

Nathalie

So Pixie has to leave us all for a while. I am very sad about this, she has been a joy to converse with and inspired many a great Pirating adventure; her stabilising influence has been vital to the survival of the Guardian Angel, and she has made a huge contribution to the richness of Lovely in her time with us. I hope that her return will be swift, but also wish her every success in her new job, and I have no doubt that she will use her talents to great effect there!

Good Luck from PAsTA!

The news of Pixie leaving Lovely has hit many people hard. During her time on the forum she made many many friends, all of whom will miss her. She has been an amazing citizen and friend, not only working hard for the GA as one of the hardworking Editors, but also commanding her pirate fleets. During her time on the forum she was admired, respected and honoured... and this will continue. One day I am sure you will return, please please do... we'll keep a seat saved for you in Lovely, right next to a huuuuge bag of jelly tots ;))

Saz

Here's my message for pixie lixie from the roving ambassador:

Pixie...even though you won't be online anymore, you are forever LOVELY!

It has been great getting to know you, from our disastrous attempt to get the train to Leicester Square together, to our girly gossips at the North West meets! And you won't be getting away in future either...the pixie catcher will track you down!!

Love ya lots...like jelly tots xx

There was an occasion when pixie (in the Pirate's adventures) died, and the first I heard of it was somebody inviting all and sundry to her wake *without* specifying that it was a purely fictional death. I got upset and logged off before anyone was able to put me right on

the details. When pixie returned as a ghost we had an emotional reunion.
I love you pixie

ID06

Goodbye Pix, you will be missed!

Today, we have lost one of our own, one of the greatest people I have met in the country left last night. I first met her on her pirate ship, I tried burning it down out of fun and ended up sailing with her and fighting by her side as we went, I used to catch her staring at things, one time at the sea when the captain was sailing away not to be seen again, we had many adventures from her being possessed to us getting drunk and having fist fights, chasing baddies, burying treasure and most importantly drinking rum!

I am honoured to have been her friend, she was a great person and I will miss her a great deal, she brought fun and laughter wherever she went and made sure everyone had a fun time doing what ever they did, It was a pleasure to work for her and to work with her. Pixie you will be missed not only by me but my many others I'm sure but good like and don't be a stranger!

Lots Of Love Kael xxx

(p.s. I'm sorry I had to :)

Pixie babes!!!!

It was great meeting you at the naming of Lovely and again in Liverpool after Christmas!!!
Shall miss you girl. Good luck with the move and your new job - you'll be great!!

Love, Hannah x x x

To Pixie

I'm sorry you are leaving, hope you are to return soon. I wish you very best of luck and please excuse my lack of words as I'm out getting drunk and stoned. I'll speak to you on msn. :)

From Chris (cpeachok)

This is just a quickie to say how much fun Pixie has made Citizens Required for me.

The adventures we have shared on the pirate threads have been sooo much fun, I can honestly say I have laughed and giggled so much at the things we have done and said on that one thread alone and that is without going into the other threads we have spoken on...which leads me to say thanks for the rhubarb rum PixieBowl...good luck with everything you do and don't leave it too long before I get to hand your ship back to you.

I wont say goodbye just see you soon.

LadyMarie

xxxx

Farewell to a Friend

It is with very mixed emotions that I write this piece. As you all know by now Pixie is leaving Lovely for a while, the selfish side of me is yelling No ! No !, but the better part of me is saying 'Good on you Pixie, go for it !' She is moving on to start her career, and I can think of no one better suited to her very caring profession.

Pixie has always been a major contributor to Lovely, an excellent editor and writer for the Guardian Angel, a first class Pirate Captain and a genuine and trustworthy friend to everyone. Lovely wont be quite so lovely without her. The good news however is that it isn't forever, she will be back with us as soon as she can, for I know that she will miss all her friends in Lovely as much as we will miss her. I hope that the Guardian Angel will be kept in touch and will be reporting on her progress while she is away from our small, but beautifully formed, country.

On a personal note I will really miss Pixie, she has always been the most amazing friend, source of infallible advice and wisdom and the nicest person I've spent time sorting out all the problems of the world with.

Hurry back Pixie, Lovely needs you.

CoolMin

xx

This is indeed a great loss to the country, to the GA, and to all your friends here. I have the greatest confidence that the whole country will support me in saying that we are extremely grateful for all the work, friendship and imagination you have brought to the country, and hope that at some point you will find the means to return to us. Despite being deeply saddened by your departure, I am delighted to have the opportunity to wish you luck in the future, and to retain the hope that at some point in the future we will talk again.

psychoticmike

When I heard you were leaving, I was crushed, as you well know. I spent about ten minutes giving you hugs and saying goodbye and how I'd miss you. Well now I'd like to do it all again! Yes, you deserve it. I'll miss you always standing round the corner from any incident taking notes and who will I have to take hostage now?! How can you leave me like alone like this?! Anyways, I just want to wish you the very best and hope you get the internet again soon so you can come back and see us all again. If not, I'm coming round to take you hostage.

Going to miss you loads,

Trip (the Light Fantastic) and all the team at the Counter Terrorist Unit

If you would like to add a message please send it to mailroom@thega.org

And we'll put it up as soon as possible.

A Statement from THE BABY JESUS

Shrek (2001) - 🍷🍷🍷🍷 🤪🤪🤪

Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy, Cameron Diaz

Director - Andrew Adamson, Vicky Jenson

more info - <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0126029/>

amazon link -

http://www.amazon.co.uk/exec/obidos/ASIN/B00005NQFI/qid=1136562770/sr=1-5/ref=sr_1_11_5/203-8095321-8635144

The Railway Children (1970) - 🍷🍷🍷🍷 🤪🤪

Jenny Agutter, Dinah Sheridan, Bernard Cribbins

Director - Lionel Jeffries

more info - <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0066279/>

amazon link -

http://www.amazon.co.uk/exec/obidos/ASIN/B00008G8LC/qid=1136562970/sr=2-2/ref=sr_2_11_2/203-8095321-8635144

Harvey (1950) - 🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷 🤪🤪🤪 🌟🌟🌟🌟

James Stewart

Director - Henry Koster

more info - <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0042546/>

amazon link -

http://www.amazon.co.uk/exec/obidos/ASIN/B00009QNYH/qid=1136563178/sr=2-1/ref=sr_2_11_1/203-8095321-8635144

Gandhi (1982) - 🍷🍷🍷🍷 🤪🤪

Ben Kingsley

Director - Richard Attenborough

more info - <http://us.imdb.com/title/tt0083987/>

amazon link -

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WORDSEARCH

A LOVELY WORDSEARCH GRID FOR YOU TO TRY

By Mcfarlmo

The first word is filled in for you already!

F	E	R	Y	N	N	A	D	G	N	I	K	E
N	U	E	M	R	O	T	S	F	A	E	L	C
C	B	B	L	O	I	Y	H	O	L	T	N	A
T	F	E	V	P	S	S	N	R	C	A	J	L
A	T	L	G	M	I	D	U	A	E	G	G	L
H	H	S	L	O	V	E	L	Y	T	A	E	A
C	E	T	J	D	O	O	I	E	Z	I	D	W
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I	A	L	K	A	U	Q	U	M	L	B	I	N
C	I	T	I	Z	E	N	S	A	J	A	C	N
P	C	O	M	M	E	H	T	N	A	R	N	A
E	M	N	I	O	J	S	E	A	L	A	N	D

All these words are hidden somewhere in the grid
There are also one or two citizens hiding in there!

ANTHEM BEGOOD BBC BOW CITCHAT CITIZENS DVD DANNYWALLACE
EELPIEISLAND EUROVISION FLAG IOUS JOINME KINGDANNY
LEAFSTORM LOVELY MODS NATION OEDS REBELS SEALAND STILTON
THEGA TEA THREAD YESMAN

Spot The Difference

The Answers

By Veer-Soon-For-Marmalade

Answers from the last issue - did you get them all?

1. Lovely Flag
2. Missing tree ornament
3. Extra window on the gingerbread house
4. Yellow ornament on christmas tree
5. Crown on Danny's head
6. Missing headrest in car
7. Extra ribbon on present
8. Shadow of car exhaust
9. Missing pane of glass in window
10. Missing icing/snow on eaves gingerbread roof

Bonus points for anyone who spots that the mountain backdrop is of the Bernese Alps in Switzerland and that Danny should therefore not only be wearing a seatbelt but should probably have chains on his tyres. Tut tut!



The Rebel Anthem

Adapted by Darth Armitige

Yesterday was dark and gritty
My temperament was rather shitty
things had got me wonderin
why I lived in London
anyway, the mods are gay

now I piss off all and sundry
Everyone can join my country
Listen if you're near them
Maybe you can hear them say...

CHORUS

You've got to...

Teach the world to shout
Danny Wallace should be out
For justice and free speech are the laws
that he will flout

Where the order of the git
Is to talk a load of shit
We done a constitution and
then we ignored it...

Although the nation may be small
its the shittest of them all
A land of opportunity
Where alls against the law
Every mod does there part
With their head up my arse
A Kingdom-come-dictatorship to start...

All the mods are the same
it doesn't matter who you maim
no one can be dame, or sir, or lord
(or dictator)

People get arrested for no reason
listen as the mods cull you sweetly
all across MY nation
join the recitation with me

CHORUS
CHORUS

(followed by general beating swearing and screaming)

SPORT

Lovely's Football Team T.a.g.g. F.C.

By coach giddsey

Hey Readers.

Happy New Year citizens.

This is a round up of T.a.g.g F.C.'s results so far. We are Talk a good game Football Club and I am coach giddsey. You can find us in Sports messages. Tagg are a virtual team that take results from real life. We welcome new players and remember,

"We are as good as you say we are"

T.A.G.G F.C.

2005-2006 season

Results to date:-

TFC 3-1 Blackburn

Newcastle 0-0 TFC

TFC 1-2 Bolton

TFC 4-0 Ast villa

Fulham 1-2 TFC

CC Shef Wed 2-4 TFC

T.A.G.G F.C. HELD TO DRAW

TFC 0-0 Arsenal

Tagg F.C. waged war on the Arsenal goal yesterday with no luck. The match ended 0-0, and tempers in the tunnel frayed when Campbell challenged coach Giddsey about his apparent 'dirty' tactics. Stewards had to pull the volatile coach away, who was heard to be shouting "F*%K Off you T*%T, we are Tagg FC, and we do what we want, when we want, we are the greatest....."

Sources say the coach was "aggrieved at the way the ref had handled the match, and the sending off, of, NicknackPW wasn't warranted, as no rule exists banning the use of 'Blade' type studs."

"The fact that they lacerated the defenders Achilles tendon has no bearing on the issue, nor the fact that treading on someone's testicles is not very sporting" coach Giddsey backs his players 100% and relishes the thought of going up against Wenger and co again.

"well played lads, see ya in the bar"
coach Giddsey

p.s. 3rd

BREAKING NEWS FA OVERULE RED CARD DECISION

Today, the FA and Sol Campbell, made a massive u-turn on the charges brought against coach Giddsey, and the red card for NicknackPW's perfectly legitimate challenge.

Sources say, Campbell and the FA representative, looked somewhat sheepish and nervous at the press conference. One journalist hinted that this u-turn, may be due to pressure from a certain clubs, millionaire russian businessman. Campbell was obviously nervous as he said " I'd like to put the incident behind me and all at Arsenal. I apologise to all staff at Tagg FC, and i appreciate the professional approach they have at the club" Some say they saw tears.

Coach Giddsey was quoted "Justice, we at Tagg are not 'dirty' in any sense. We play with pride, passion and an absolute undying love for the beautiful game" happy daze.....

TAGG FC HELD TO DRAW

SUNDERLAND 1-1 TFC

Tagg FC were held to a draw for the second week running. The squad seemed a little worse for ware for this early evening kick off.

Somewhat lethargic, the Tagg FC players seemed to be pissed. Sources say that madcap keeper Lampost was seen getting a round of 11 pints of Stella with 11 whisky chasers in a bar, in Sunderland town centre, just minutes before kick-off. This didn't seem to affect lampost's performance, as he kept the 'macams' at bay. The rest of the players looked like they couldn't handle a drink.

Coach Giddsey was disappointed and told reporters "I expect my team to win every game, pissed or not. Luckily for us Young Lampost and super striker NicknackPW can hold their drink. Without the saves from my keeper and the 30yrd thunderbolt from NNPW, we would have lost the match for sure."

TAGG TRIO NAMED IN ENGLAND SQUAD

Sensational news for the hottest new team to storm the premiership. In an amazing turn-around, ericsson has named NicknackPW, Loyal Lampost and HonorRubble in a new look squad.

Lampost will almost definitely make his debut, while NNPW and HR look to start on the bench. Svens decision to blood these new players was made shortly after an enforced trip to Russia to meet an unknown business man.

Reporters quoted an ecstatic coach Giddsey:-"This is the dawning of a new breed of England team, one that can go all the way in Germany next year. The inclusion of such talent that we have at Tagg shows Sven maybe thinking he needs something more in his squad. I'm delighted for the boys and just hope they do themselves justice as three of the greatest players this country has produced."

Good luck lads,

coach Giddsey

EMBARRASSING ERROR BY SVEN

Sven Goran Eriksson was mocked by fans yesterday as his embarrassing inclusion of Scot ,Honor Rubble, in the England squad was announced.

Walter Smith was said to be delighted by the Swedes' lack of home nation knowledge and also by the fact they had a player good enough to get in the England team (joke!).

Honor Rubble became the first ever player to be selected for two nations at once.

Smith said "I expect Rubble to keep Hleb in midfield quiet. He's the type of player who sticks like glue and aint afraid of a challenge."

Good luck against Belarus son, you take with you the pride and support of T.a.g.g F.C.

coach Giddsey

What a shower of S**t. Have you lot learnt nothing at training?

Have you forgotten who we are?

We are T.a.g.g F.C.

How good are we?

"we are as good as you say we are"

'Tagg stunned by lucky City'

Man City 3-1 TAGG

Listen up boys, the fact is we outplayed City on every blade of grass this afternoon. Lampost had no chance with wily old fox Coles opener. The fluky play that preceded all their goals afterwards we cannot be blamed for. Some say Pearce had the ref in his pocket, that's not for me to comment on. Good move from new signing Inaura to score that stunning goal. Hit sweetly with the outside of the boot, curling, dipping and crashing into the onion bag. Unlucky Boys, we can do better.

Remember "we are as good as you say we are"

coach Giddsey

COACH GIDDSEY STUNS PLAYERS

T.a.g.g F.C. 1-0 West Brom

In an amazing match at Tagg on Saturday, coach Giddsey stunned the Tagg faithful by deciding to play himself. Fed up with pathetic performances by the depleted tagg squad, giddsey played and controlled the whole game. First decision was to drop under achieving keeper Lampost. It would seem that Lamposts playboy lifestyle has left him with no appetite for the beautiful game. Hislpop replaced Lampost and played well.

It was apparent from the start that coach giddsey would control this game. We saw crunching tackles, 60yrd pinpoint passes and an overhead kick worthy of Henry, except giddsey's went in. The player boss was everywhere and only really supported by the loyal red157 who played out of his skin.

Life at tagg lives on but the players have kinda lost the point, come on boys put some effort in eh!"

coach giddsey

TAGG HELD TO DRAW

Tottenham 1-1 Tagg

Coach giddsey's utter dismay at refereeing decisions was plain for all to see at White Hart lane today.

In a furious bust up with match official Alan Whiley, the temperamental coach was heard to say "You don't know what you're doing mate do ya? Go to specsavers you ****.

It followed a nasty incident featuring Tagg players HonorRubble, LoyalLampost and Nicknack. It looked like the three Tagg players had taken out Davids all at once with crunching tackles better suited to Rollerball.

Coach giddsey explained "listen, here at Tagg we have the most technically gifted footballers to grace any generation of players. If those players get involved in a fair challenge, i don't expect the ref to get his handbag out and pretend he knows the rules of the game."

Loyal Lampost's last gasp penalty saved us, well done son, i know how difficult it was for you. Hitting it off Robinsons head onto the bar and in was genius.

Well played lads, see ya in the bar

coach giddsey

TAGG LOSE TO MIGHTY UTD

Tagg 1-2 Man utd

Although disappointed with the defeat against Man U, coach giddsey was in a reflective mood after the game.

"I suppose, in a sense the result was fitting to the memory of George. We saw in Rooney the new genius that is the future of football itself. He ran us ragged this afternoon, and i take my hat of to him. Here at tagg we never like to lose, but we know that this is a beautiful game and should be played with passion, pride and be entertaining for the fans who pay all of our wages. Today's game was about that and even though we lost i am proud of my team.

I enjoyed LadyLampards mazy runs down the right, Lampost pulled off some spectacular saves, nicknack should have scored with the overhead kick but i think he'd asked Scholes for a spare pair of boots, scholes gave him jelly shoes and nick nack said nothing! Honor Rubble again was magnificent. She tore the utd midfield apart, and rumour has it Wes Brown claimed to be injured so he wouldn't have to play against the not so ginger HR."

Uunlucky lads, see ya in the bar.

coach giddsey

TAGG FC BACK ON FORM

Birmingham City 1-2 Tagg FC

Coach giddsey was delighted with his players performance this week. They tore apart an under strength Birmingham with the type of cutting edge football usually reserved for cup

finals. Lampost had a quiet game and cannot be blamed for the goal. It's just a shame that when the ball went in the Tagg net, Lampost was signing autographs for the lads behind the stand. At least i think they were lads, one suspiciously looked like Lamposts old flame Caprice. Lady Lampard had an essential effect on the tired midlanders. Her skill with a football was only matched by her brightly coloured banana boots. Honor Rubble weighed in with a spectacular goal from 30yds, a pile driver that actually tore through the back of the net. Nicknacks winner was pure genius, a little flick over the defender and finished with aplomb.

Coach giddsey was spotted after the match talking to advisors from Real Madrid, and the question has been asked will he remain loyal to the team who remain loyal to him? Watch this space.

Well played lads, ignore the reports of Madrid. Turns out Becks wants a good quality coach but i told them, Tagg FC are way out of their league, and i wouldn't be going anywhere.

See ya in the bar, we'll discuss Tracksuits.

coach giddsey

TAGG LOSE TO DIRTY ROVERS

Blackburn 3-2 Tagg

Coach giddsey couldn't fault the passion and attitude of his side as they bravely fought against a tough Blackburn side. As per normal Lampard, Nack and Rubble played with skill and passion as they were continually battered about by Dicov and co. With two goals from nicknack we looked good for a win until our new signing DrPudsey took the field.

Pudsey's debut for Tagg was forgettable to say the least. At fault for all three goals, Pudsey seemed to be more interested in reading than playing. As the ball came into the box, pudsey was found sitting on the penalty spot reading a book that suspiciously looked like 'The Magic Faraway Tree'

With coach giddsey missing in Cardiff most of the team were a shambles. Sources say he was actually scouting Dave Grohl for a place at Tagg!

coach giddsey

TAGG SINK THE TOFEEMEN

Everton 1-2 Tagg

Pur grit and determination saw the Tagg boys and girls win an exciting game. Lampost was amazingly credited with the first Tagg goal. An almighty goal kick that hit orbit first before landing in the back of Evertons net. Unbelievable.

Taggs second was a show of pure class from the squad. Lampost out to Honor Rubble, Rubble out to Lady Lampard, Lampard twists and turns and threads a sweet sixty yard pass to nicknack, who with a ferocious drive, cracks the ball home for the winner.

Amazing.

well played lads,

see ya in the bar.

coach giddsey

POMPEY PLAY UP AND WIGAN DO DAMAGE

Pompey 1-1 Tagg

Tagg 0-2 Wigan

Coach giddsey was said to be disappointed but generally happy with the Christmas results. Against Pompey it was only half way through the second half when the enigmatic coach turned up to the ground. Turns out Mandaric had lent giddsey his helicopter and the coach got to the ground via Paris Rome and Milan! Well ya gotta hit the sales when ya can eh!

Tagg were unlucky against Pompey. Lampost blindin headache was the cause of the Portsmouth goal, but who cares its Christmas! Tagg's goal was a glorious move, culminating in Jamie's first strike for the club. Lampard flicked the ball with the outside of her left foot, Rubble back heeled the ball to NickNack who sent a glorious 60yrd pass straight to the feet of Jamie, who finished with aplomb.

The game against Wigan was a disaster. After a heavy night beforehand only Mop and Jamie turned up. 11 against 2 was always gonna end in tears, even the coach was asleep on the sofa.

Unlucky lads but never mind.

Happy New Year to you all.

"we are as drunk as you say we are"

coach giddsey

TAGGS DOWNWARD SPIRAL CONTINUES

Charlton 2-0 Tagg

How Charlton won this game was beyond belief. For the first time over the Christmas period, coach giddsey had all players fit and available to play. Strength ran throughout the side From Lampost through Lampard, Jamie , Rubble and nick nack. Unfortunately it was the work-shy Mop who let Charlton score two easy chances.

Coach giddsey was said to be gutted that the losing streak continued but happy that the lads were playing well and blamed poor refereeing. Very Wenger-esque. Cheers for the drink HR, I've set up a tab behind the bar at the club for belated NY drinks.

Get stuck in!

coach giddsey

CHELSEA GO TOO FAR AT TAGG

Tagg 1-3 Chelsea

Out of this world events unfolded at Tagg's Stadium....Literally.

What started as an ordinary game turned into an other worldly experience. The game kicked off with a quick goal from the genius left foot of Honor Rubble, but this was the last normal event to happen.

Tagg were cruising until from nowhere an alien spacecraft descended onto the pitch and proceeded to score three goals with some weird sort of robotic feet. The UFO then trained a ray of light into the refs eyes, making him allow all three goals and blow for full time.

Amazing what money can buy ya these days.

Unlucky lads, there's no playing against that. See ya in the bar space cadets

Coach giddsey

OPINIONS

The Future of Lovely

By Rogue ODST

We need...

A use for the IOU for one.
Perhaps a trading or bartering system...

An edit button for posts! The amount of times that I've wanted to go back and change a post...

But apart from that Lovely's pretty Shiney. Oh perhaps a new T.V program for a recruitment drive. Gotten a bit quiet as of late...

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sirs,

Recently, on my daily strolls through the delightful land of Lovely, I have noticed a rise in the levels of litter, graffiti and other such wilful vandalism. Our parks are full of disaffected youth sporting all manner of hideous garb, idly wasting away their formative years. This is an awfully sad state of affairs and bally poor form, and I for one am shocked by the fall in standards. The Lovely Youth of today have never had it so good, and yet they seem to spend their days moping about, moaning about their lot, and generally scruffing up the place.

As a man of action and with experience of licking disaffected youth in to shape I propose a

solution; forced work programs for all ruffians and layabouts! We should set these scallywags to work tidying up their own mess, recruiting new citizens Lovlier than themselves, and generally occupy their time with good old elbow grease and boot polish! Obviously I'd prefer a good thrashing with the birch, but I know we live in less enlightened times. It wasn't like this in my day I can tell you!

If today's Lovely youth don't buck up their ideas and set about improving themselves I fear this land will go to wrack and ruination.

Yours Blusteringly,
General (RetD.) Oswald T. Disgusted of Onebridge Tells

Lovely is really a Lovely place

By CheeryWibble

Lovely is a place that I found after watching a show by a little known celeb on BBC 2. To be honest I never in my wildest dreams did I think I would fly to London to meet over 100 strangers in a pub.

But I did and that is the great thing about this community we call Lovely. We are one big spread out group of friends who can't get to see each other as often as we'd like but that's what made the xmas party special and will make the Che-aster event even better. 2006 will be a great year for Lovely. Sure we will loose a few along the way but hopefully gain some too, but if we stand together and face the world that doubt us I am sure that Lovely will continue if not in an actual form at least in our hearts forever.

How To Be Good (with a side note on Porn)

By Amber Prophet

Our law, as we all know is "Be Good". But what does this mean?

Really?

I am going to outline what I believe to be the answer. As the leader of one of Lovely's most successful establishments I helped to lay down our own interpretation of this law.

In the TAS Tearoom we are Good.
We are never Bad.
However, we are often Naughty.

We are Good by begin accepting of all people who come on the thread, our only proviso being that they like tea, or at least are not openly hostile toward it. Even people indifferent

to tea are welcome and some even grow to be Tea Appreciators with us. We are never rude. We are never mean. That would be BAD.

OK, so there was the time Curator repainted the tearoom in lurid colours with added iridescent cows. There was the stripping incident, the psychedelic cakes and the Tea tent adventures, but we were not being BAD. Only Naughty.

And furthermore, we were being Good at appreciating Tea - which is our mandate.

So, to go back to the point of this article. A subject that affects us all to a greater or lesser extent. Yes I'm talking about Porn!

Those citizens who have attended London Meets have learned to appreciate, desire, even require their weekly instalment of Porn, by our Lovely author MooseAde. But Porn is considered in many countries to be, at best distasteful, and at worst evil. So what is our stand in Lovely? We have only our one law to guide us - Be Good!

So is reading/writing/watching/making Porn Bad? Or is it just Naughty?

Well, I've no short answer to this. I can only offer you the information that MooseAde is Good at what he does!

The future's so bright... I've got to wear shades!

By CoolMin

New Year always seems to be a time for reflection and for looking to the future, new starts, resolutions, welcoming the future. What about Lovely though, is it's future one to be welcomed? There is no doubt that there are a few problems with Lovely as it stands... dwindling numbers, unrest about politics, rebellion and the spam that litters the streets of our country. The positive side of Lovely far outweighs these problems though, the wonderful citizens, the meetings, the genuine and strong friendships that are formed, the Guardian Angel!

The citizens in Lovely now are all very committed to it, in some cases too committed, there is little danger then of numbers falling now and with the great news that the show is to be broadcast in Europe and Australia soon we can expect re-generation and renewed interest in the country.

The greatest asset in Lovely is without doubt the citizens, and with our citizens how can we have anything else but a fantastic and very lovely future? It's all ours to do with what we will, it's great just now, let's make it even better.

EDITOR'S COMMENT

GA Editor to Resign

As the Guardian Angel goes from strength to strength as the nation's leading medium of information distribution, we at the GA are all saddened to announce the resignation of co-

editor Lady PixieBowl (formerly PiratePixie) from the team.

Relocation to pastures new has forced Pixie, as she has become affectionately known, to surrender the top job she shared with Dantzig and concentrate on other professional matters outside the country.

As a founding member of the paper, Pixie was instrumental in setting up the Guardian Angel, and has been a heavily influential figure ever since. Having rescued the paper initially from the surprise resignation of the original editor, Suzkin, she has structured, organised and motivated the workforce to produce endless quality publications and deserves much of the credit levelled at the paper as a whole.

We wish to thank Pixie for her tireless devotion to the project, and wish her all the very best for the future.

The GA Team

Goodbye

I don't know, all this fuss over nothing!

Well, here I am, my last night in Lovely, so many things to say, so many things to do!! But I couldn't leave without saying these last few things (the Guardian Angel staff wouldn't let me just slink off into the night)

Firstly, an apology. I'm so sorry I haven't told you before now that I was leaving, it was just too difficult. I will be back though, which I'm sorry about too!

Secondly, please let there still be a Lovely and a Guardian Angel here when I get back. Support them, keep contributing. It is only through us that Lovely exists and will keep on existing. Now I'm temporarily occupied elsewhere, that's one less voice, so I'm counting on the rest of you to shout just that little bit louder!

Lastly, to all of my friends and everyone who I speak to on msn, or have met in person....thank you. Thank you for being the person you are, you're fab!! I'm going to miss you all so much!!

Rightio, short but sweet, theres so much more I could say, but this is a newspaper about Lovely, and for now at least, I'm not an active part of it. Remember, I love you all lots, like jelly tots!

Pixie

xxx

Editor's Comment

By Dantzig

First of all, happy New Year to everyone, and hasn't 2006 put a whole new gloss on the world? The GA will continue as normal under the daunting presence of the big Six. I am glad to say the whole thing didn't collapse in my absence as I had feared it might. Much praise for the whole team, you really are fantastic.

As you have noticed from the rest of the paper I am losing my colleague Pixie to the siren song of real life opportunity. She will be sorely missed, but we wish her all the best.

In the recent Lovely Media Awards the Guardian Angel won newspaper of the year, Saz was made reporter of the year and I editor of the year. This is of course all very nice and the usual thanks go out to the usual people. But seriously, don't set too much store by it. For one thing we had no real competition. For another the panel was not very well informed. In my opinion Psychotic Mike was the best choice for reporter of the year, as he has written by far the most, and also the most important, articles, while Saz deserves endless credit for her technical support to the GA. She practically designed and runs the website. And how do you quantify all the work put in by all the people who help keep this paper going? Being editor of the year is not all it seems either. Aren't I basically the only one left standing?

Don't get me wrong, I appreciate the recognition. It's nice to know people realise we exist. But it isn't awards we need. Sure I can build a virtual cabinet and buy some virtual polish, but in the grand scheme of things who really cares? Who is going to remember? That is not going to keep this paper going. At the moment we are unbelievably understaffed. Regular reporters are drifting away or having to devote more time to the real world, and the paper is growing ever faster and the citizens are demanding more and more for their metaphorical money. 'We want a crossword' they cry 'Why aren't there any cartoons?' More and more things are happening in Lovely and pretty soon people are going to start complaining that they are not being covered.

Well here's some news: They are not going to be covered unless you cover them. There are not going to be any cartoons or crosswords or sudoku, or anything else for that matter, unless you give us some. This is not magic. Someone has to do the work. And the less people there are doing it the harder it will be. So come help us before you wake up one Sunday morning and find the paper isn't there any more.

You'll read this and think: 'that's not aimed at me'. Well it is. Every one of you and YOU in particular. Every citizen can contribute. If you can't do journalism you can do fiction. If you can't write you can draw. Or recruit. Or make the puzzles. Or write the reviews. If you're objective and reliable you can proofread. You can help with the website if you're technically inclined. If you are totally devoid of talent you can even just be encouraging. But please, please do something. I don't care what it is. Just help me out here. I'm drowning.

The paper comes out once every two weeks. If you contribute once a month it will be enough. We can't do it without you. After all, we are the Guardian Angel, By the people, For the people.

Nathalie van Dantzig
Editor

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