



The Cube Microplex, The entrance on Dove Street South, Tel: 0117 907 4190, www.cubecinema.com

The Seven Stars, Thomas Lane, Redcliffe, Bristol, BS1 6JG, Tel: 0117 3763970, www.7stars.co.uk/

St. Werburghs City Farm - Boiling Wells Project, Go down Mina Road past the Watercress Road turning, which takes you to the pub, and go all the way to the eco-build houses. Follow the road round to the right, this will take you under the railway. Follow the road until you come to a little bridge on your right. Tel: 0117 942 8241

St. Werburghs Community Centre, On the corner of Horley Road and Merstham Road, BS2 9TJ, Tel: 0117 955 1351

Sublime - Upstairs Room, 31 King Street, BS1 4DZ

St. Mary Redcliffe Scout Hut, Next to the entrance to Redcliffe Caves on the waterfront between Redcliffe Way and The Ostrich pub. Across the water from the Severn Shed and The Thekla.

Programme

Date	Time	Title	Venue	Price
Fri. 3rd April	6:00pm	Nowtopia	St Wbrghs CC	Donation
Mon. 20th April	7:30pm	Hillsborough: What Really Happened?	Cube*	£4/3
Fri. 1st May	12:30pm	Cry Freedom, Cry Seven Stars!	Seven Stars	Free
Fri. 1st May	7:30pm	Wet The Plaque's Head	Seven Stars	Free
Tue. 12th May	7:30pm	John Gregory, Radical Poet	Sublime	Donation
Mon. 1st June	7:30pm	'The Enemy Within': The Miners' Strike 1984-85	Cube*	£4/3
Sun. 7th June	7:30pm	Welcome To A World Of Paine	St Wbrghs CF	Donation
Mon. 8th June	7:30pm	Who The Hell Is Thomas Paine?	Scout Hut	Donation
Mon. 15th June	7:30pm	The Enemy Without: Coal, Class & Climate	Cube*	£4/3

*The Cube Microplex is a membership cinema with a licensed bar. If you are not a member you need to pay a £1 membership fee on your first visit. Remember to bring your card with you every time you come. The event times stated for the Cube are "Doors Open" times. Check the website for the updates www.brh.org.uk

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Spring Programme 2009

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BRHG organises public lectures, discussions and social events which uncover the hidden histories of the West Country and beyond. Our events are open to all and are free or of minimal cost. We don't receive funding from universities, political parties, business or local government.

Friday 3rd April **NOWTOPIA**

St. Werburghs Community Centre, Horley Rd. 6pm, Price: Donations
Speaker: Chris Carlsson

Nowtopia: How pirate programmers, outlaw bicyclists, and guerilla gardeners are inventing the future today. Chris Carlsson is an acclaimed author, activist and founder of the Critical Mass bicycling movement. People are taking back their time and technological know-how from the market in small under-the-radar ways, establishing the foundation for a genuine movement of liberation from the market.

Monday 20th April **HILLSBOROUGH: WHAT REALLY HAPPENED?**

The Cube Microplex, Dove St. Doors open 7.30pm, Price: £3/ £4

Speakers: Sheila Coleman, David Goldblatt, Daniel Bennett

April 15th 2009 marks the twentieth anniversary of one of the darkest days in British sporting history, when 96 people lost their lives at that year's FA Cup Semi-Final. However, what actually happened on that day has, over the years, been clouded by official deception and, in some cases, outright lies.

Sheila Coleman from the Hillsborough Justice Campaign, talks about the issues the disaster raised. Daniel Bennett, a Liverpool fan and eye-witness to the event describes what happened from his per-

spective. Introduced by award winning local sports writer David Goldblatt, author of *The Ball Is Round: A Global History Of Football*.



Friday 1st May **CRY FREEDOM, CRY SEVEN STARS!**

The Seven Stars, Thomas Lane, 12.30pm
Plaque Unveiling, 7.30pm 'Wet the Plaque's Head', Price: Free

During the Abolition bicentenary of 2007, Bristol Radical History Group commissioned a commemorative plaque to celebrate the anti-slavery campaigner Thomas Clarkson and the Bristol sailors who provided him with evidence of the horrors of the slave trade. Join us at lunchtime for the unveiling of the plaque commemorating these momentous events and for an evening celebration, featuring live music, poetry, beer and more.

Tuesday 12th May **JOHN GREGORY, RADICAL POET**

Sublime, King St, 7.30pm, Price: Donations
Speaker: Gerrard Sables

Bideford-born shoemaker, John Gregory (1831-1922), was a pioneer trade unionist, socialist, co-operator, peace activist and poet. Admired for his radical thought by Ernest Bevin and Ben Tillett and for his

poetry by both Tennyson and H G Wells, the time has come for him to be rediscovered. Biographer Gerrard Sables talks about Gregory's life, his works and his relevance today, interspersed by readings of his most evocative poems.

Monday 1st June **'THE ENEMY WITHIN': THE MINERS' STRIKE 1984-85**

The Cube Microplex, Dove St, Doors open 7.30pm, Price: £3/ £4

Speakers: Dave Douglass (NUM), Nicholas Jones (BBC), Glen Burrows.

The year-long Miners' Strike of the 1980s was a defining moment in 20th Century British history, the impact of which is still being felt economically, politically and culturally. Twenty-five years on we bring together a panel of participants, representing the strikers, the miners' support groups and the media to discuss the anatomy of the strike, its reporting and untold history of the time.



Sunday 7th June **WELCOME TO A WORLD OF PAINE**

Boiling Wells Site, St Werburghs, 7.30pm, Price: Donations

Come and celebrate the life of one of Britain's greatest yet least known radical

thinkers, Thomas Paine. Under the light of the full moon, join us in toasting the memory of this hero of the French and American revolutions with stories round the bonfire, cider, pikes and guillotines. Dress: Fancy and French, Attitude: Seditious.

Monday 8th June **WHO THE HELL IS THOMAS PAINE?**

Scout Hut, St. Mary Redcliffe, 7.30pm, Price: Donations

Speaker: Peter Clark

On the 200th anniversary of Paine's death, Peter Clark explains the contemporary importance of his writings that were so influential in the revolutionary ferment of the late 18th Century. Paine redefined the nature of political discourse with his groundbreaking views on human rights, democracy, the open society, racial equality, women's rights and the welfare state. Clark questions why this great British thinker is fêted in France and the United States yet remains a prophet without fortune in his native land.

Monday 15th June **THE ENEMY WITHOUT: COAL, CLASS AND CLIMATE**

The Cube Microplex, Dove St, Doors Open 7.30pm, Price: £3/ £4

As a follow up to the history of the 1984-85 Miners' Strike we consider the legacy of this momentous event and the environmental and social contradictions. A panel of experts will discuss past struggles which transcended the current narrative of 'jobs versus environment' and debate contemporary struggles over energy and labour. As the economic crisis increases what is the future of coal? If there is a low carbon economy how do we work towards a 'transition' on our terms?