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ANARCHISM FOR TOTAL LIBERATION



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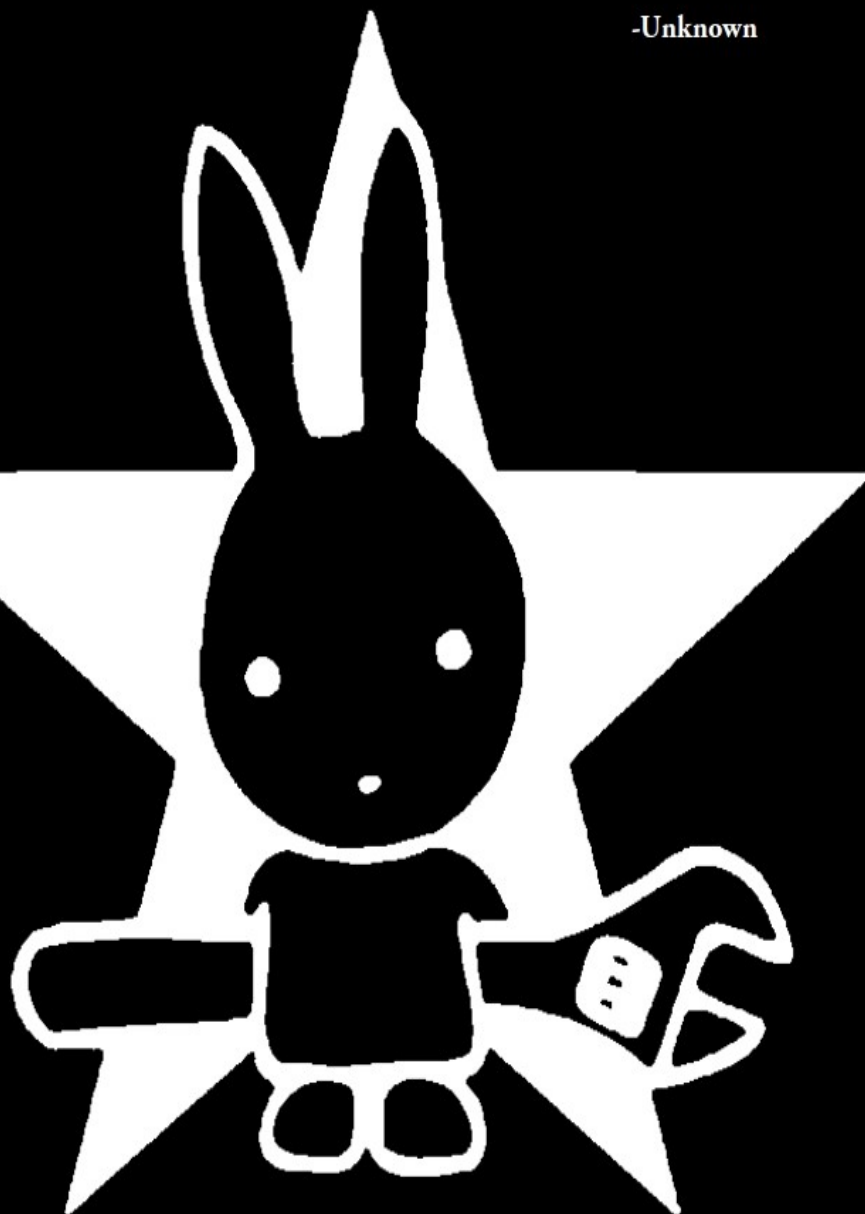
riotous incognitx



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I would like to thank everyone who helped with the making and distribution of the last two issues of riotous incognitx. I appreciate the positive and negative responses, and all the criticisms and the compliments I have received. This issue will be the last issue of riotous incognitx. I enjoy writing very much because I really do believe words and ideas can change the world but I also believe actions give life to those words and ideas. A life that is experienced through the uncompromising refusal to be compliant with those who seek to destroy our will to be free. Freedom is radiant in the actions that destroy its captivity. There is a fire in my heart that can't be pacified by fear.

-Unknown



prey species will be more difficult to catch at this time. The best method for releasing large amounts of animals is to cut holes in fences surrounding the compound, and then just open the cages and let the animals find their own way out. The more escape routes you can cut the better chances they will have. With any release into the wild some animals will be recaptured, but getting most or even some of the animals to freedom is still much better than all dying.

Even if a liberation is not possible, fur farms can still be disrupted. From October to December the 'pelting stock' (the animals about to be killed), and the 'breeding stock' are the same size. By opening all the cages and releasing them into the compound they will be unable to tell which is which. The breeding stock may be kept in just a few cages, so be sure to open them all, or else you might miss the breeding stock and have accomplished nothing. You can also destroy the breeding cards, usually kept on the front of the cages. This action will not save the animals in the fur farm at that time, they will still be killed. In fact, they will probably kill all the animals and purchase new ones for breeding. But, such actions can cause a farm to shut down, thus saving countless animals. It's a question each individual must decide for themselves.

Another method is to spray a non-toxic dye on each animal, rendering the pelt worthless. Again, they will still be killed, but possibly it'll shut the farm down and save future animals.

Dealing With The Police:

When performing direct action, you run the risk of being arrested, so you'd better be prepared for dealing with the police. Although it's true that the more actions you do the higher your chances of arrest get, and some forms of direct action are more risky than others, there is still a chance you will be arrested during your first action, no matter how minor, so be prepared. The general rule in dealing with police is to say nothing. Keep in mind that these people have been trained to try and trick you into incriminating yourself and others. They are avid liars, and will say anything to try and fool you. Realize that every word out of their mouth, no matter how friendly, innocent, or unrelated it may seem, is said with the goal of getting evidence against you. Give you name address and date of birth then reply no comment to further questions. They may try to threaten a statement out of you. They may say they will keep you in longer if you do not talk. If they see you may talk they will keep pushing until they get what they want. But if they see they are not going to get what they want out of you they'll eventually give up. Remember no one has ever got off by giving police the information they want or by turning in others. Extensive and relevant legal advice for UK activists is available from www.freebeagles.org & <http://www.vpsg.org/> read it as your freedom may depend upon it!

Reporting Actions:

If you choose to report your actions by post use plain paper & write using block capital letters, or a publicly accessible typewriter or computer. Photocopy the report a couple times to obscure details making it harder to trace. If handwriting, you may want to have more than one person write each letter. Be certain not to leave fingerprints on the envelope, paper, or stamp. Obviously don't sign the report, include your address in the report or put a return address!! Spell everything correctly, since certain spelling errors are often common to certain individuals. Wet the envelope glue and stamp with a sponge. Assume whatever you send is opened and read by the government. It may be easier to

claim an action via e-mail, use an internet café and sign up for a free e-mail account from a website such as www.hotmail.com, www.excite.com or www.yahoo.com. Don't include any personal details in the sign-up form or in the e-mail and never use the e-mail address again. Examples of direct action reports and communiqués can be found at www.directaction.info if you are unsure of what to write.



Stop Talking - Start Revenging

takes practice, so get a few cheap locks and work on it first. The other way to get past doors is to just go through them. Check the aforementioned websites for more in-depth information.

- Prying them open with a crowbar, knocking them open with a sledgehammer or cutting them with bolt cutters are other easier techniques!
- Another method is to cut a hole through the middle of the door just big enough to fit through. A row of holes drilled with a thick drill bit is one way to do this, portable power saws are another. The advantage of this method is that if the door is alarmed the alarm may not be triggered.

Liberations:

Hopefully these few words of wisdom will provide some useful basic advice:

"Education and economic sabotage save animals' lives in the long run, but liberating animals from laboratories, factory farms, or other places of abuse is the only way to save animals' lives here and now. Liberations are probably the most complex actions, and some of the most risky. For both these reasons, an incredible amount of planning and preparation is needed. The first step is research. You have to know all you can about the target. How many and what kind of animals they have, what they are doing to them, and where they are located. Once these are determined comes the most important part of - finding homes for the animals. NEVER liberate an animal that you have not found a good and loving home for. Preferably in homes of people not associated with your group and hopefully not associated with the movement at searching for the rescued animal should be completely veterinarian. Special homes may normally kept as pets, or with by the abusers. Caring for a dog require special skill, but the to care for a monkey with people involved should each have You will need people responsible researching and planning the If possible the look outs and the carriers and drivers are there a way for lookouts to notify everyone else if things go wrong, be it an audible signal or by walkie talkie. Many animals naturally make noise when disturbed or moved and there's nothing you can do about it. All you can do is get in, get the animals, and get out as quickly as possible. Have lookouts you can rely on, so that you can concentrate on getting the job done & not have to worry about watching your back. If things go wrong get everyone together & leave quickly. Most people will be happy just scaring you off, so don't leave anyone behind. Parking vehicles near the site may be suspicious & it may be best to have the getaway vehicles arrive early and park nearby in a carpark or on side streets amongst other cars. Then, they can simply pull up, at pre-appointed times or when notified, get the animals and go. Always have the vehicle with the animals leave first as if the animals get caught they face death, if you are caught you will only lose your freedom for a short time."



Fur Animal Liberation:

- Although fur farming is now banned in the UK, elsewhere fox, mink, wolf, bobcat, lynx, raccoon, and coyote are still farmed. Almost all animals raised on fur farms can be released safely into the wild. Of course some will not survive the wild; but do they stand any better chances on the fur farm? The only common fur animal that can not survive the wild is the chinchilla (an important thing to know is that they can not tolerate temperatures over 80 degrees Fahrenheit). No huge ecological imbalance results from releasing these animals, even in massive quantities. They all disperse quickly, with mink travelling five to ten miles a day, and fox travelling twelve.
- Fur farms are easily spotted, most use long sheds or rows of cages. Fur animals are kept as cold as possible, to thicken their coats & so fur cages are always open to the outside air, (making liberation that much easier).
- There are some points of safety for the animals that must be followed: Animals are not old enough to be released until after they have been weaned. Also, they should never be released after late October, since by then winter has set in and they won't have time to learn to hunt as



Unconditional Anti-Oppression: The Rise of Anti-Speciesism in the Anarchist Movement

Negotiation is over. Moving beyond liberal veganism.

About 40 years ago animal rights was a concept promoted and activated by determined individuals, passionate about expanding their sphere of compassion. Not only did many of these animal rights activists go vegan but they also took action in the streets. Big colorful signs, petition signing, banner drops, and other tactics were deployed to disrupt the normalcy of routine non-human animal exploitation. Many of these tactics served to spread awareness of slaughterhouse atrocities in hopes of generating sympathy and agricultural reform. Overtime as more and more people began to acknowledge and speak out against non-human animal exploitation, tactics, ideas, and even other movements began to evolve.

Today there is less sign holding and petition signing as these previous attempts for change have left many disappointed. As the treatment of non-human animals continued despite votes and petitions, activists went underground giving birth to many radical groups like the Animal Liberation Front, Animal Liberation Brigade, Animal Rights Militia, Revolutionary Cells, and so on. Many vegan liberals, disappointed by politicians and the state, had begun to re-examine their own political ideologies.

As tactical diversity grows beyond the state's control with the intent of yielding self-initiated results, the animal rights movement is now commonly referred to as the "animal liberation movement". This form of self-determination by individuals working in cells or affinity groups has become appealing for its effectiveness. Online petition signing has seen less activity as prisoner support through fund raising and letter-writing becomes more popular. Single-issue oriented activists have begun to diversify their activism in light of acknowledging the connection with social struggles, eco-defense, and decolonization. This expanding solidarity and mutual-aid has created new alliances, collective efforts, and new methods of resource sharing in many activist communities. The wave of increasingly radicalized vegans poses a threat to capitalism and the state. Today many once willing-to-negotiate activists have adopted new approaches that defy the lawfulness of peaceful protest and political reform. With an increase in property damage, liberated non-humans and appreciation for direct action, it was no surprise when the state constructed AETA (Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act) in an effort to sway public opinion and discourage the growth of radicalized vegans.

Anti-speciesist anarchism. None are free until all are free.

Anthropocentrism and Speciesism

Anthropocentrism is the belief that humans are superior and therefore entitled to dominate other animals and the earth. This form of discrimination and privilege exists in the anarchist movement, and has played a key role in the perceiving of non-human animal and earth liberation as secondary movements. As any other supremacist ideology, anthropocentrism perpetuates discrimination, enslavement, and murder in general, and towards non-human animals in particular. It embodies an interlocking combination of oppressions which manifest in the dominating social relationship humans have towards each other, the earth and other animals. Similar to white supremacy with the discrimination of non-white people, and male supremacy with the discrimination of non-male identifying people, human supremacy refuses equal consideration and opportunity for non-human animals to pursue a life free of human control.

Like racism and sexism, speciesism is irrational discrimination towards non-human animals based on species. Anti-speciesist anarchism is an anti-authoritarian challenge to anthropocentrism. Biocentrism or Deep Ecology is the re-distribution of power and autonomy equally to all sentient beings through the destruction of human moral elitism. Humans have generally justified their exploitation of non-humans through the categorization of "animals" as inferior therefore rightfully subjugated. Today many vegan anarchists have replaced "animals" with "non-human animals" or simply "other animals". This serves to distinguish non-human animals from human animals, while also recognizing the shared animality of both. The word "rights" regarding non-human animals is less often used. Since "rights" in the political context imply permissions or privileges granted by the state, anti-speciesists generally feel this term is inconsistent with autonomous freedom. Anti-speciesism as a significant element and concept in the struggle for freedom is expanding as the intersectionality of all oppressions gains recognition.

Intersecting oppressions

Intersectionality is an examination of how all forms of oppression including but not limited to race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, class, species or disability do not act independently of one another but instead, are interrelated creating a system of oppression that reflects the "intersection" of multiple forms of discrimination. For example, capitalism utilizes speciesism to commodify non-human animals, reducing them to units of production and capital. The legal property status of non-human animals can be compared to that of the enslaved Africans prior to the Civil War. Reproductive control over women reflects the reproductive exploitation of non-human animals. Anti-capitalists who have acknowledged the relationship between non-human animals and capitalism have seen that such a relationship is the antithesis of freedom and must be abolished. Consuming non-human animals perpetuates the capitalist and human supremacist notion that they are sources of food rather than sentient beings deserving of their natural born right to freedom as humans expect for themselves.

- Once the glue dries it will be practically impossible to open. Get some cheap locks and test glues out until you find one that works well.

Sponges and Toilets:

- One of the few actions undertaken actually inside the abusive establishment whilst they are open. It can be risky for heavily involved A.L.F. members, but is a great action for those looking for simple and lower level things to do.
- Get a large sponge, wet it, then wrap it tightly in string and let it dry. Remove the string and it will stay in its compact shape. Once in water the sponge will expand to its previous size. Simply drop it in the toilet, flush, and you'll hopefully clog up the toilet. If it gets deep into the pipes first, this can turn into a very expensive problem. Lacking a sponge, lots of toilet paper will do.

Telephone Lines:

- Telephone lines are the most neglected way to easily cause a business to lose money. Find an abusers building & locate the phone lines. Attach a weight of some kind to a strong rope, toss it over the line, grab both ends and pull. Another option is to climb the pole and cut the wire.
- If you see any wires, phone lines or other, at ground level, just yank them out or cut them. Careful if it's electrical though! (Note: Most business intrusion alarms will be set off by cutting telephone lines, the alarm may also be of the silent variety.)

Security Cameras:

- Places that get hit a number of times may install security cameras. Don't let this deter you. As long as you're well covered, the best they can do is give a general height of the people involved.
- Security cameras are expensive but not that hard to destroy. Aside from open cameras, look for boxes or spheres, they are generally up high, around ten feet.
- Flood light systems can easily be taken out with a slingshot.
- If a security system is installed, that's money out of their pocket & it means you're being effective. Just be careful not to hit the same place too often or they'll be waiting for you!!



Arson:

Arson is a big step up in direct action & is a very serious crime, so before considering it you'd better be aware of the possible consequences if caught. Fire is also very dangerous, so the utmost care is needed when starting one, it's essential that no human or non-human animals will be hurt and that the action will not discredit the entire movement. However it should be remembered that as dangerous as arson is, it is also the most potent weapon of direct action... *Unfortunately we don't feel comfortable including advice on carrying out arson in this zine and so we've instead decided to highlight a number of sources of information available from...*

<http://www.animalliberation.net/library/publications.html>

Getting Through Locks:

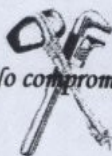
- In some actions, particularly liberations, breaking in is an essential part of the action. Locks can be dealt with in a number of ways and should be closely looked at to decide the best method.
- Many lock parts are made of brass to prevent corrosion & fortunately, brass is relatively soft and easily drilled, allowing destruction of the pins and lock mechanism. Use an electric powered drill and a new 1/8 inch high speed drill bit (it may take more than one bit). Opening locks this way

WEAPONS OF WAR

(The next few pages are from an older zine titled "xULTRAMILITANCEx #5 The Fight Continues", written by someone serving time behind enemy lines for courageously turning words into direct action. Some info here might be out of date so double check it! But much of it is still valuable & relevant today.)

This guide is for entertainment, information & general interest only. It's not meant to encourage the activities described. We would never dream of encouraging people to use these proven & effective methods to free innocent beings from the depths of hell, or use them to destroy the tools used to torture, mutilate, and murder them or the Earth. We'd much prefer you sat at home watching TV and remaining apathetic.

This guide is the second part of an abridged compilation of useful tips, tactics and knowledge, based upon information available in a number of ELF and ALF booklets/guides (e.g. The A.L.F. Primer, The Power Is Ours, The Final Nail, As Darkness Falls, Without A Trace, Interviews with A.L.F. Activists and EcoDefense) as well as information freely available on the Internet from websites such as www.earthliberationfront.com and www.animalliberation.net. Part 1 of this guide was included in xULTRAMILITANCEx #4.



No compromise

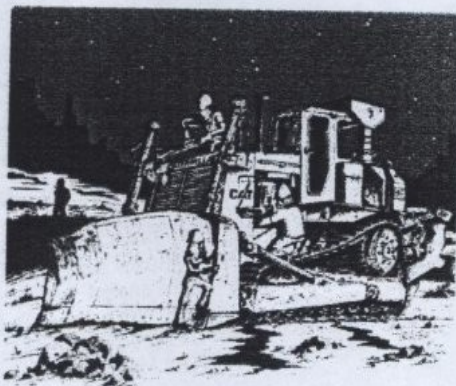
Methods of attack continued...



No compromise

Vehicles:

- Another easy target. Always start with the quieter parts. Tires can be slashed using a sharp knife, bradawl, sharpened screwdriver etc... make sure your tool can puncture tough truck tires without breaking or bending. Putting a hole in the side wall will make it impossible to repair. A pair of pliers can also be used to yank out the inflation valve which will flatten the tire
- A large screwdriver can damage a radiator by punching holes in it.
- Sand in the fuel tank can cause a good deal of damage if you are careful to show no signs of tampering and the vehicle is run. (Using sugar does not work as well since it may merely block the filter and not get into the engine). Sand can also be used in the crankcase & 10 to 15 mothballs in the gas tank are equally effective.
- If you can get to the engine, break anything breakable and cut any wire you can. Be sure not to cut the break cable though unless you are going to leave a warning! Trucks generally have levers on each side that open the hood, which will tilt forward. If you can't get to the engine, you can cut what you can from underneath. Bring something heavy-duty like small bolt cutters, as regular wire cutters won't be able to handle metal cables.
- Paint or paint stripper can damage the paint job.
- Windshield wipers can be broken off, headlights & wind-shields smashed or painted with etching fluid & locks glued.
- More in-depth information available at <http://www.omnipresence.mahost.org/inttxt.htm>



Gluing Locks:

- One of the quickest, easiest, and safest forms of direct action.
- Use a tube of glue with a long, sharp tip. Approach your target, be it store or vehicle, and put a small piece of wire or similar object, less than a fingernails length, into the lock. Insert the glue tube into the lock, and fill it with glue.

Communication, language and imagery contribute to the mutual reinforcement of all oppressions. Since non-human animals are viewed as inferior, their imagery and identity is used as a derogatory way of describing disliked, oppressed or uncivilized humans. For example some of the most commonly known slurs towards women attack their physical appearance and involve non-human animals. In addition to degrading individual women these insults marginalize entire species of non-human animals as well. The hatred and speciesism towards pigs is encouraged when they are used to reference officers of colonial law. In various contexts, pigs, cows, and dogs are considered dirty, unclean, ugly, unlovable beings. These serve as stereotypes that excuse and encourage their exploitation. In the eyes of a speciesist, non-human animals serve to metaphorically reference oppressed humans. Some non-human animals are used to describe people of color (monkey, ape, coon etc) other non-humans are used in the same way for women (bitch, chick, cow etc). People of color who break laws or act out their emotions are often referred to as animals, and a women who acts out her frustration or anger is often referred to as a "bitch". The marginalization of non-human animals is intimately intertwined with the oppression upon them. When examined, the mechanisms of domination, violence, and control are the same.

Beyond "veganarchism"; anarchism means total liberation for all

The term "veganarchism" has played an important part in distinguishing the growing wave of anti-speciesist anarchy from traditional anarchism. But as earth and non-human animal liberation gain recognition for their place in the anarchist struggle, the continued usage of "veganarchism" becomes problematic. The term "veganarchism" preserves the same false division currently withering away. It also draws more attention towards veganism as an action without a preexisting cause. This leads to more dialogue and attention on veganism as merely dietary rather than enough dialogue on the oppression of non-veganism. Speciesism, anthropocentrism, and the authoritarianism in consuming other sentient beings for food receives less exposure to criticism than veganism. This imbalance usually results in drawn out debates about veganism being classist or racist. While it is a common mistake for speciesist anarchists to impose white imperialism upon veganism (which marginalizes vegans of color by assuming that whites are the only ones concerned with deep ecology, health, and non-human animal liberation, this mistake is almost inevitable when the scope of veganism is reduced to Western culture rather than global anti-colonialism. Anti-speciesism is increasingly viewed as consistent with anti-oppression, and biocentrism consistent with anti-authoritarianism. This combination of earth, non-human and human animal liberation presents an anarchist struggle for total liberation.

Speciesism is still widely tolerated in many anarchist communities. Despite the growing number of anarchist vegans, speciesism and anthropocentrism are still viewed as secondary problems. Some blame the language barrier between human and non-human animals for this lack of consideration. Intelligence, physical limitations and sometimes even the question of sentience all play a role in speciesist apologetics. But as more anarchists acknowledge the intersectionalism and interdependence of all oppressions, veganism is viewed as the logical process of being anti-speciesist. Anarchism without anti-speciesism allows space for irrational discrimination, domination, and oppression. Furthermore, anarchism without veganism allows space for patriarchy and rape culture. The consumption of milk from cows or eggs from chickens enables the

coercive and sexual exploitation of vagina-bearing individuals. Without total freedom for all, authority and oppression remain over some to benefit those in a position of power and privilege.

More anarchist collectives have extended solidarity to non-human animals through promoting veganism, opening up anti-speciesist spaces, and being vocal against non-human animal oppression. Guerrilla gardening, community gardening and polyculture are on the rise in many anti-oppression communities in an effort to combat monoculture and Genetically Modified foods which colonize other lands with industrialization and environmental destruction. Despite ever-increasing state repression, a gradual increase of property destruction attributed to non-human animal liberation continues. In online forums and in the streets, speciesism within the anarchist community is receiving more constructive criticism. Anti-speciesism means critically examining social interactions and communication between all animals, human and non-human alike. In the process of eliminating oppressive language and practices, solidarity is extended with power, respect, and equality to all who are oppressed. Many anarchists across the globe have embraced veganism not only as a practice of healthy survival but also as an extension of solidarity beyond the speciesist limits of human struggle. Today one can see the merging of the anarchist anti-capitalist/anti-fascist struggle with the eco-defense, animal and earth liberation movements. These struggles in combination present an uncompromising war against capitalism, the state, civilization and the myriad of colonial oppression.

-Blitz Molotov VXX

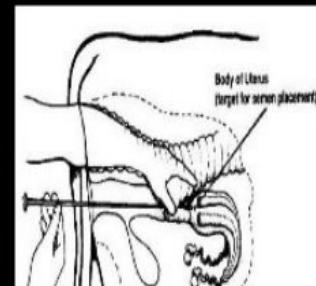


"ANARQUISMO Y VEGANISMO" by Antiheroes Crew in Madrid

A FEW OF MANY REASONS



TO SMASH SPECIESISM



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