



NAG London Group Changes in 2021

To NAG London Group people

4 January 2021

Hi all,

A warm 2021 welcome to you from NAG.

This letter has been sent to all 30 people on the NAG London list and follows my previous letter of 30 October. For those on email it has been sent under BCC. This is to safeguard your email address, under our Data Protection policy and the GDPR legal rules.

As we start 2021 the raging coronavirus pandemic means that no group activities can take place in the early part of this year. That is helpful to us, as we spend a little time on re-organising how NAG London Group works. Sadly, without meeting face-to-face we shall have to make initial decisions by Zoom, email and a Questionnaire. Your co-operation and involvement in this process would be appreciated by the NAG Management Collective (the Mancoll). **The future of NAG London Group Questionnaire** is with this mailing and your response by 25 January would be very helpful. An online version is on the NAG website.

As indicated during 2020 we urgently need a NAG supporter, who lives in London, to take on the established role of **NAG London Group Co-ordinator**. Changes elsewhere in NAG since November 2019 led to me taking on the additional role and responsibilities of chair of NAG. That is why I cannot continue as NAG London co-ordinator.

The matter was discussed in many NAG London Group meetings during 2020. It did not stop others from organising NAG activities in London, even if they live outside the Greater London area. However, NAG has always felt that the vital Co-ordinator role must be provided by a Londoner. Details are given in the paper **Role of NAG London Group Co-ordinator**.

Please note that any member of the NAG Mancoll who lives in London would also not have the extra time need for the Co-ordinator role. We are sure that naturists outside London would also want to continue to support NAG London Group activities.

Despite the dreadful impact of Covid-19 we saw a vigorous amount of change in 2020 as NAG underwent 'a renaissance' and embarked on major new projects. Our new website at www.naturistactiongroup.co.uk was launched in September, becoming an instant success. You may also have read about NAG activities in **H&E Naturist** magazine. Our 19-page detailed **NAG Submission on Hate Crime** went to the Law Commission on 21 December. We have been in correspondence, with some success, with the police leaders at two London locations where their frontline officers were not aware of the Police guidelines.

Not being able to meet together face-to-face currently presents a real problem. We had a very low attendance for the NAG London meeting by Zoom on Saturday 24 October, the meeting notes are attached. That is why we have created a questionnaire, so that you can comment on how another Zoom meeting may be set up. By returning a completed questionnaire your views can be taken into account during this decision-making process. That will be important if you are not able to participate in a Zoom meeting! You can access the online questionnaire at <https://form.jotform.com/210033289533046>

Over its first 10 years NAG London Group has achieved a lot, both in campaigning for the understanding of naturism and for open space naturism in London. It has also stimulated other naturist groups in London to develop a much wider range of naturist activities in enclosed environments. We also have a NAG phone number **0844 357 5196**

It is encouraging to see that BN has recently appointed Hugh van Gennep as Regional Coordinator for the London and South East Region (LASER). That covers a vast area, and Hugh lives at Crawley in Sussex. Our NAG London Group Co-ordinator will have a much smaller geographical area and a group of active NAG supporters used to organising NAG style events. Other NAG project groups may also be called upon to assist.

I am sure that you will want to be involved in the decision-making to enable **NAG London Group** to continue to campaign successfully for naturism in London. It would also be helpful if you have other naturist friends who may wish to assist in this. Please pass on the details – and a copy of the questionnaire to them. All are available on the NAG website at www.naturistactiongroup.co.uk. Please give me a ring, if you should need extra copies and cannot access them on the website.

I look forward to hearing from you again this month.

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