

AGENDA:

London Festival
 Glenbock
 10th Anniversary
 Audited Accounts.

In Attendance:

(minutes) Jenny, Jeanne, Eileen, (Chair)
 Penny

1) Audited Accounts

At the present position of our Accounts is approximately £7,000.00 excluding £3,000.00 for the cost of the cars.

We need to show that our finances have improved in the last 6 months - to prove that the situation has improved. At present we are insolvent - Eileen suggested that we arrange a meeting with the Auditors to go through the Accounts to check the possibility of any errors.

2) London Film Festival

Films/Videos ~~seen~~ seen at the Festival:

Rage of the North; Love & Fear; To a Suffer Place; Girl Talk; Vroom, Jeanne's House, Marie in the City; Hearts and Hands; Astronomy & Letters Home

Rage of the North - interesting film directed by a man not suitable for us or Love & Fear directed by Margaretha von Trotter - interesting but not suitable for us; A Suffer Place - a powerful documentary about an incest survivor - distributed by Educational Media.

talk: a documentary focusing on 3 young women - voyeuristic and sensational and quite exploitative - no. 8 Room - Feature film produced by Channel 4, directed by Barbara Keaton (Cathy Asenbaum Home) not of interest to us.

Jeune's House - lively, fun, but not suitable for ~~us~~ us & Marie in The City - feature film by about a young girl who runs away from home and meets a boy (Prostitute) - again not suitable & Hearts and Hand -

a short film documentary about North American quilters - very American - but possibilities for distribution - At present with ch 4;

Astronomy - a good short about astronomy would be a possibility for distribution if we are considering releasing a film.

Letters Home - Chantal Ackerman's video - based on Sylvia Plath letters - Jenny to chase,

Berlin: P. H. advised that C.O.W. should be represented at the next year's Berlin Festival - since it's an important festival to acquire feature and documentary films & Penny has wanted like to attend the Festival - We will look at our Festival budget and budget for one or possible two women to attend.

Crestal Another Festival of interest to us. Jenny suggested that Jeanne should attend however Jeanne has some reservations about attending.

Jenny

Jenny

Virgin Machine:-

A Film about Romantic love & SEX -
Screened at the Gay & Lesbian Festival - Jenny
to chase -

JennyGlenbuck:-

1. Catalogue Content <- >
2. Business Income <- >

① Discussion centred on the content of Glenbuck
'Entertainment Section'. A percentage of the
videos listed in that section were exploitative
of women - and in many cases pornographic.
Some of the suggestions put forward by the meeting
involved asking Glenbuck that our catalogue
should not be sent out with their catalogue,
especially if women requested our catalogue &
Jenny and Eileen both explained that prior to
speaking with Glenbuck - they had looked through
the catalogues and publicity material
supplied by Glenbuck. However, they were unaware
that Glenbuck also distributed pornographic material.

~~The meeting discussed the ^{role} of ~~the~~ ^{as} ~~permanently~~
~~distributors~~~~

② Concern was expressed about the fall of
income in both hire and sales through Glenbuck.
In particular there had been an alarming
drop in video sales & it was agreed that
Glenbuck didn't figure any particular expense
in this area - and this was reflected in
their pricing for duplicating videos.

the following ~~recommendations~~ ^{Recommendations} were agreed:

① The Assurances message should be changed, deleting Glenbrook's telephone numbers — this would enable us to have personal contact with clients etc...

Jenny

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Jenny
Jeanne

③ A meeting should be arranged with Glenbrook for January — once we have income figures

Jenny
Jeanne

④ Publicity Material should not include Glenbrook's telephone number or address.

Finally the meeting felt that the team on Glenbrook needed further and more detailed discussions

Next Meeting: Wed 14th Dec 6.00.
at Arena of Women