



# The Peashooter

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## Carry on camping!!

After sadly having to cancel last year, CACKK (Cowboys and Cowgirls Kids Klub) is finally going camping 9-11 July.

For those who haven't been before, it's a great chance for Cowfolk and their families to come together, get to know each other and have some fun. In a slight change to normal, we won't be arranging lots of activities, instead we're just looking forward to chilling out and letting the kids explore the big two acre field. And as the sun sets we'll have a big fire pit going, tunes and you can enjoy your own food/booze.

Date: 9-11 July

Location: Ashcott, Somerset

Price: £10 per adult per night. Donations for kids welcomed.



You can find more details about the event on the CACKK Facebook page - if you're not already part of the group, please join! If you're not on Facebook but want more details please email [saskia.konynenburg@hotmail.com](mailto:saskia.konynenburg@hotmail.com)



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From the Allies for racial justice group  
Something to think about....

As everyone was cheering the verdict against Derek Chauvin this month, Ngaio the amazing Woman behind Booty Base shared her thoughts -

“Allies, I'm looking at you.

All the people who went on the marches, put up the squares, said #blacklivesmatter with full chest, let's go.

Am I relieved about the verdict? Yes. Am I happy? No. I am livid.

I am livid thinking about all the people who will be patting themselves on the back and talking about how great this verdict is, but who have done nothing to actually support the Black people in their lives.

Have ignored and/or silenced Black voices in order to retain an image of themselves as 'not part of the problem'



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Have never taken the time to really think about the part they play in keeping this status quo in play or considered how unsafe their ignorance make spaces for others

Have read a few books, said the right words and have still not ventured into, and out of, their guilt.

I'm not saying it's easy, I have to unpack my privelege everyday but I do it because that is the work.

When white people consistently bring their energy and horror to the fight against racism and actually DO something, then we will move forward. I think today of all the people who have been failed and who will not see justice for unlawful death. My thoughts are with the family of #GeorgeFloyd and every other Black person out there who feels as triggered and confused as I do.

It's the verdict that was lawful.  
That is all."



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For us it reaffirms how important it is that we continue trying to make a difference in our club. That we make it as inclusive and safe and educated as we possibly can.

It's a big challenge but it's massively important and our club ideals don't mean much otherwise. Sooner rather than later we need to move this from a fringe discussion to a constant conversation throughout the club. I'm sure we can do it 🍷🍷❤️“

For those that want to get more involved, please consider our (VERY) informal WhatsApp group. We share stuff, we reflect, we learn and we occasionally get together for a chat or to plan action which can now take place in the PUB!!!



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## **Cowfolk Assemble!!**

Come join us on Saturday for a May Day demonstration to end the Police, Crime and Sentencing Bill.

We will be meeting on college green at 5pm on Saturday to support this demonstration as one united force.

Please see attached. Come in your shirt and bring a football 🏈🏈

There will also be another demonstration / March starting at 12pm and a number of us will be joining this March as well so if you can't join in the evening please show your support in the day!

More info on next page.



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## Kill The Bill

Join the Movement to end the Police, Crime and Sentencing Bill

### What We are Protesting For

Through persistent protest, we have already forced the delay of the Police, Crime and Sentencing Bill!

The Government is still trying to pass this oppressive law and is hoping You will forget - The Bill is not dead yet, only sleeping.

This bill is a serious attack on Your rights and freedom.

**We must continue to act to stop this law being passed.**

### How The Bill Will Affect You and Others

#### Repression of Protest

The Bill will allow police to impose conditions on pickets, protests and demonstrations. This will repress the ability to defend our rights and improve our lives; amongst those who will be repressed are Workers' Unions and organisers, Renters' Unions, and those protesting against state & gendered violence. **The restrictions will play into the hands of the already-powerful** - Corporations, Landlords, and Police, amongst others.

#### Criminalisation of the Gypsy, Roma & Traveller Community

The Bill will criminalise Gypsy, Roma and Traveller (GRT) communities by making trespass a criminal offence - **making the way that thousands of people have lived for hundreds of years illegal**, and continuing the historic violence and persecution against GRT people.

#### We Will All be at Greater Risk of Arrest

The Bill will give police the power to impose fines and sentences on any individual who is making a 'noise' perceived to cause disruption to nearby businesses or organisations. For Example, if You have been badly treated by a service and You decide to publicly speak out about it, **You could be fined up to £2,500**. If You are judged to have "incited" others to protest, **You could be jailed for up to 51 weeks**. The threshold for arrest under these rules is totally arbitrary, and up to the judgement of the police involved.

#### More Powers for an Already Oppressive System

The police and prison system already violently targets Black, Brown, Gypsy, Roma, Traveller and in fact all working class communities. The police need less power, not more; this bill is **a step in the wrong direction for equality in the UK**.

#### Unfair Extreme Sentencing for Property Damage

The Bill will threaten people who damage statues of racists like Edward Colston with up to ten years in prison. The toppling of the Colston statue was an amazing moment of collective action against white supremacy. **The government's response is even more repressive**, sentencing anyone who dares to reclaim their history.

We Can Not Be Silent!

Join Us on College Green, **Saturday May 1st**

**5PM - Free food and chat**

**6PM - March and Demonstration**

**SOCIAL DISTANCE  
WEAR A MASK**

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Please show support in any way you can – donations, volunteering or sharing with someone in need. Big up the veg box crew!

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