

# ANIMAL LIBERATION FRONT SUPPORTERS GROUP

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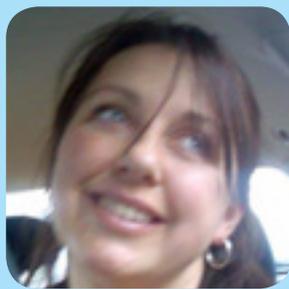
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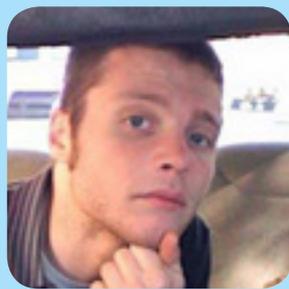
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Dan Wadham



Briana Waters



Kerry Whitburn



Sarah Whitehead



Joyanna Zacher

**RELEASES SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER**

**Tre Arrow** (USA prisoner) has been released - Dec 2009

**Lauren Gazzola** (USA SHAC prisoner) has been released to a halfway house - 17th March 2010

**Carrie Feldman** (USA Grand Jury resister prisoner) has been released - 18th March 2010

**Mel Broughton** (UK prisoner) has been released on bail, pending his third trial - 30th March 2010

## Editorial

Welcome to another edition of the SG Newsletter. Since the last newsletter there have been some prisoner releases and, unfortunately, some new prisoners. There are always going to be prisoners while our struggle to help the nonhuman animals comes up against fierce opposition from those in power and the vested interests that want to perpetuate the genocide that is continually taking place on the planet we call Earth, home to millions of species (not just homo-sapiens!) Everyone needs to learn the lessons of respect and compassion for all life if we are to have any chance of surviving our own self-made global crisis. If and when we as a species leave this planet, we dearly hope it won't be at the expense of all other inhabitants.

The fight will always continue as the issues are too big and too important to do nothing, we have a duty as compassionate, responsible users of this planet, to hammer home the reality of the abuse and oppression that we see very clearly with our own eyes (including what they try to hide from us) and we hope one day that the majority will see it too, before it is too late.

The determination of the abusers and governments is clear to see, as they try to stop effective, focused, caring campaigners from making this world a better place for all, not just for the powerful human minority. We cannot, and will not accept their hold over fellow humans and nonhuman animals. We must continue to resist the speciesist status quo and those who continue to control and exploit the lives of billions for the sake of profit and greed.

We cannot shy away from our mission to give nonhuman animals and human animals the freedoms, safety and the right to a natural life without pain and misery, no matter how hard these goals are. The courageous and compassionate people you read about in this newsletter would expect nothing less. The SG will continue supporting those who risk their liberty in the fight for the liberation of others.

Thanks for your continued support.

If you wish to join the ALF SG you can use the form on the back cover of this newsletter or obtain more details from: ALF SG, BM Box 1160, London WC1N 3XX or email us at: [info@alfsg.org.uk](mailto:info@alfsg.org.uk), website: [www.alfsg.org.uk](http://www.alfsg.org.uk)

*"Animal liberation is also human liberation. Animal liberationists care about the quality of life for all. We recognize our kinship with all feeling beings. We identify with the powerless and the vulnerable – the victims, all those dominated, oppressed and exploited. And it is the non-human animals whose suffering is the most intense, widespread, expanding, systematic and socially sanctioned of all." - Henry Spira*



### THE ALF SG

The ALF SG's role is to support financially, practically and morally, those brave men and women who end up in prison as a result of their actions on behalf of animals. This is a vital part of the movement, and we in turn depend on our members and supporters to enable us to help the prisoners at a time when they are most in need. We are separate to the ALF, and we operate legally and above ground. This vital work has continued unceasingly over the years, along with other like minded organisations who support animal rights prisoners. If you would like to join the ALF SG and help support our work, please fill out the membership form on the back cover.

# GLOBAL LIBERATIONS



**New Zealand**

111 battery hens rescued from Auckland factory farm.



Some of the lucky ones enjoying their first taste of freedom - back cover picture



**Mexico**

5 hens liberated, this action is dedicated to the ELF/ALF prisoners in Mexico .



**Israel**

6 hens were liberated from a battery cage in a village near Jerusalem.



**UK**

200 hens were rescued from the hell of battery units during Jan and Feb.



Also, 4 piglets were rescued and will be no longer heading for the slaughterhouse.



**Sweden**

Two piglets were liberated from an intensive unit.



They are now enjoying the fresh air and light in a safe, loving environment.



**Venezuela**

A dove found freedom , instead of being destined to be used in sacrifices.



**Spain**

Rescue of mother and her two children - now safe. (Also front cover picture).



**Germany**

In March, 1000s of mink were set free. In April, another 50 mink were liberated.

Liberations in the last four months in Italy, USA, Spain, Germany, UK, Sweden, Mexico, New Zealand, Venezuela, Uruguay, Israel and Portugal

Other actions in Norway, Sweden, Italy, USA, Northern Ireland, Ireland, Austria, UK, Canada, Spain, Mexico, Australia, Chile, Croatia, France and Russia.

**COMPASSIONATE PEOPLE ON EVERY CONTINENT  
THE MOVEMENT & STRUGGLE CONTINUES TO GROW...**

**If not you,  
who?**

**If not now,  
when?**

# EMAIL A PRISONER /LETTERS

## Write to UK animal rights prisoners via email

Did you know that it is possible to write to many prisoners in the UK via the **"emailprisoner"** service for just 25p per letter, cheaper, quicker and more convenient than conventional mail. Most UK prisons are either part of the scheme or are set to join in the near future. You have to pay in advance and register with an email address and password.

It's a really great way to keep our comrades in touch with the outside world. For example, if you see some news online or in an email, you can just copy and paste it into an email and send it directly to the prisoner, with some news of your own perhaps. Or why not put a few stories and some news together, as you get 2,500 characters per email.

These prisoners can already receive emails:

Dan Amos (HMP Guys Marsh)

Natasha Avery (HMP Send)

Heather Nicholson (HMP Foston Hall)

Lewis Pogson (HMP Stocken)

Nicole Vosper & Sarah Whitehead (HMP Bronzefield)

Kerry Whitburn (HMP Lowdham Grange)

Dan Wadham (HMP Camp Hill)

Soon it should be possible to write to them all. On the website there is a list of prisons you can write to, to urge them to introduce the scheme as well. For more details see: [www.emailprisoner.com](http://www.emailprisoner.com)

## Letters

**Tre Arrow letter - March 30, 2010** - After nearly 6 years in prisons in Canada and the US, Tre became a free person again on 4th December 2009, below is a short excerpt from an article from his support web site: [www.trearrow.org](http://www.trearrow.org)

On June 8th, 2009, after almost 5 and a half years of incarceration, I was released from the prison walls of Herlong FCI (Federal Correctional Institution), California. The sun was bursting with heat and brightness. While being driven to the Reno airport, I was filled with exhilaration, mixed with pangs of sadness when I thought of all I've missed, all that's happened while I've been conveniently tucked away. My friends greeted me at the Portland airport. I was flooded with raw vegan food, spring water in glass bottles, flowers and lots of hugs and smiles! I was elated to be back home. We all hopped onto our bikes and rode to my new "prison"...the Oregon Halfway House (OHH). Early in the morning, on the 8th of June, I was a prisoner at Herlong. By the afternoon, I was a passenger travelling in an airplane, unsupervised and unshackled. And in the evening of the very same day, I reported to OHH and was placed under lockdown. I was not even allowed to go outside for the first 24 hours. I was both excited and utterly distressed to be back in Stumptown. On one hand I had a taste of freedom and a reunion with loved ones; and on the other hand I was placed on a leash and only allowed to enjoy a small amount of privileges and freedoms of which I had been deprived for so long.

On Wednesday, June 10th, I was permitted a four-hour pass to go food shopping and to look for work. I went straight to People's Food Co-op and the Farmer's Market. As I walked

there from the bus stop I noticed all the trees and fruit bursting from their branches. Feelings of happiness and gratitude overwhelmed me as I hugged a massive Douglas Fir tree. It was the first tree I had touched in more than five years! I was so thankful to be in Stumptown in the summer. I savoured this new taste of freedom. It was surreal for me to leave OHH on an "approved pass" travelling freely through the city while still being treated by "the Man" as a prisoner. I felt both relief and anxiety in the same breath.

For the next three and a half months I lived at OHH with very few freedoms. I was not even permitted to play my guitar outside. I was assigned cleaning bathrooms as part of my "chores". I had to acquire permission to travel anywhere, and I was not allowed to go beyond the limits of the city. I was approved to leave OHH only to look for work and acquire a few basic necessities, like food and hygiene products. The OHH management allows one four-hour pass per week for religious purposes and one four-hour pass per week for the gym...I went to the Buddhist Temple and the Yoga studio. In July, I started working at the Blossoming Lotus; an awesome, vegan organic restaurant on NE 15th and Broadway. I was required to give 30% of my income to OHH, even though I wasn't eating any of their food. On September 25th, 2009, I was permitted to move into home-confinement at an approved residence in SE Portland (after background checks were conducted on the people I would be living with). Even though I was no longer living at OHH I was forced to continue the payment of 30% of my income. What a great money-making scheme for the injustice-system.

Finally, on December 4th, 2009, after almost 6 years of entrapment by the prison industrial complex, I was freed from the Bureau of Prisons' custody. That night I spent my first night of true freedom nestled in a hammock 40 feet above the ground in a big hemlock tree that lives at Tryon Life Community Farm. The next day I participated in my first protest in many, many years. I was thrilled to be at the D5 rally and march, commemorating the 10 year anniversary of the WTO protests in 1999. The next week I travelled to Florida to visit family. It was the first time I was able to hug my father in almost 9 years!

The transition from prison back into the community was not easy because of the restrictions and requirements placed upon me. Today I am still not permitted to leave the state without permission and will be on probation until December 2012. It has inspired me to focus on post-prisoner support for those being released from one of the biggest tragedies of our social, political, economic systems. In this country we incarcerate a higher percentage of our populace than any other nation in the world. Most prisoners in America are non-white, not wealthy, and not convicted of any violent crime. This system in which we are entrenched is about making money. It is not about justice. It is not about freedom. Many of the politicians and corporate leaders in this country are responsible for some of the most abominable acts against humans, non-human animals and this sacred planet. These people never spend a day in prison. The time is upon us to take back our power from the powers that lie, cheat and steal. The time is now to take action and protect the planet, our rights, our freedoms from the grips of power and avarice. It's high time we put the "eco" back into the word "economy". The time is now to use our voices, passion, creativity, bodies and collective energies to effect positive change for all living beings on this precious planet. If not now, then when? If not me and you, then who?

# Letters

## Nicole Vosper - HMP Bronzefield

Dear All,

I'd like to start with a massive thank you to everyone who sent a Christmas or birthday card, the support was totally overwhelming, I've never had so many cards in my life! Every one was read and enjoyed, so thanks again.

Well, I've done a year now in Bronzefield and it feels good to have it under my belt. Life here is much the same really – still working in the gardens, still going to the gym as much as possible and still studying hard.

My OU and permaculture courses are going great. I'd like to promote the Permaculture Association ([www.permaculture.org.uk](http://www.permaculture.org.uk)) and the Vegan Organic Network ([www.veganorganic.net](http://www.veganorganic.net)) which has some fantastic resources on growing your own food as part of healthy ecosystems that support wildlife and are free from animal exploitation.

Sorry to Sarah and any R&B fans who believed, due to her last letter, that I'd become a JLS fan, haha! I am in fact still listening to and enjoying hardcore and to all the kids who write to me about shows and bands or send in their zines, thank you, it really means the world to me!

I am still not 100% sure when I'll be sentenced but that's ok because at least I know every day is a day closer to being back working with you guys against domination in all its forms and a day closer to being back with the one I love and all my friends and family.

Best wishes from Bronzefield,  
Love and Liberation,  
Nicole xxx

## Sarah Whitehead - HMP Bronzefield

Hi everyone,

Coming up to two years here in Bronzefield and I'm definitely institutionalised! Get up, queue for breakfast, work all morning in the gym, queue for lunch, work all afternoon in the gym, queue for tea, study and attempt to answer my wonderful post, sleep! Easy!

I'm loving my O.U. course. My tutor comes in to see me once a month and has two rescued cats so I constantly stray off the subject to talk about them (as fellow cat fanatics will know, you can never have enough cat stories!)

Thank you to all of you for writing so faithfully. My

apologies for the delay in replying at the moment but I have a few family problems – please don't be offended if I haven't written, I will get around to it. Thank you too, to all who have supported Nowzad Dogs (rescuing dogs in Afghanistan) and Fiona Oakes at Tower Hill Stables Sanctuary. I know how much it is needed and appreciated.

I promised Nicole I wouldn't insult her this time, so I can honestly say she is one of the most wonderful people I have ever met. We spend a lot of time together, chatting about tattoos (she loves them, I hate them), music and bands (no mutual ground at all!) and all our plans for the future! Every so often something extra mad happens here and we just look at each other and laugh. It's so good to have someone here on the same wavelength to talk things through with.

I can never write about prison life without thanking the friends who help my spirit live by caring for my dear animals. Sadly, another-one of my cats, my sweet boy Merlin, passed away recently in the loving arms of one of my friends who cared devotedly for him and gave him the best ever. To all of you dear people who love and cherish my animals, I owe everything. Thank you always.

Whenever I think about animal suffering everywhere in the world, I am so determined to use every second to change things and I remember the words of John Wesley:

*Do all the good you can  
By all the means you can  
In all the ways you can  
At all the times you can  
To all the people (animals) you can  
As long as ever you can.*

It sums up our responsibility to fight for those who have no voice.

Thank you to all of you fighting on and I can't wait to join you.

Lots of love,  
Sarah xxx

## Dan Wadham - HMP Camp Hill

Life at Camp Hill is going well - I'm as overwhelmed and grateful as ever with the amount of love I receive from you all - thank you so much!

I also want to say a huge thank you to all the amazingly generous people who donated to my sponsored marathon appeal for the wonderful Sea Shepherd Conservation Society. As I write I'm unsure exactly how much you've donated, but I think it is about £700-800!

This is absolutely incredible, I never expected so much to be raised and I can not thank you enough. Sea Shepherd do the most amazing work and I'm sure this money will help their defence of marine habitats that are under threat.

By the time you read this I will have finished my marathon, a full update will be forthcoming soon but for now I just want to send you all my love, hugs and gratitude. Apologies to anyone who has written and not received a reply as my studies are pretty hectic right now. I'll do my best to catch up with you all soon.

Keep up all the amazing work you're all doing and keep the spirit alive!

Love & Liberation  
Dan xx

## **Lewis Pogson - HMP Stocken**

The first three months of my imprisonment has flown by. I'd like to thank everybody that has written and shown their support, it is always very much appreciated. Pictures are also very welcome - especially pen and ink designs.

It makes me smile to receive letters each week in which the activists offer their commiseration and condolences, as if my life is over or has come to a temporary halt; to be restored upon my release. When you are imprisoned life does not stop. In fact, it starts. It's just that the situation is an alien one. We continue living, we work, study, exercise, socialise, relax, practice our various faiths and define, once again our own individually. It is just that the parameters have changed. Of course the environment restricts a great number of freedoms, but it could be argued that even in the outside world our greatest desires are restricted, no matter how subtly. In the restriction of the prison environment a new freedom can be found and I rank the joy of reading the correspondence I have received and the interesting and diverse mix of characters I have met highest in this comparison.

Prison life can be blissful. If you settle into your routine, take life at a slowish pace and learn how and when to fight and when to accept then you can appreciate the relaxed discipline and deprivation it offers. It is easy not to get too stressed and when you have little to worry about. Your washing is done, food is cooked and rent paid. You have plenty of time to think and reflect on

ideas or immerse yourself in a thoughtful book or educational course.

Having little to occupy yourself with or the modern distractions of outside living, it spurs you onto educating yourself and staying both mentally and physically fit.

Prison is not without its challenges and I have encountered an almost overwhelming amount of sadness and sorrow throughout my short stay too. There is a lack of privacy, personal space and sometimes it can be hard to find adequate mental stimulation. With the prison population set to reach 100,000 in the next few years it seems a very sorry indictment of wider society. Surely, there is something fundamentally flawed in a system that encourages good behaviour with video games, yet delivers all but 45 minutes of fresh air outside a day?

Drug abuse, self harm and poor human relationships are all prevalent. Mental health problems sadly all too common and it is often the case that those most in need of help are resigned to a 6' by 4' concrete box.

During the sentencing process I was told that prison was needed in order to break the connection I shared with my like minded friends, yet in prison it is impossible to escape the stigma of your alleged "crimes", to the extent that one instance, one day of living, is what defines you throughout your stay. Being a "convicted criminal" is the trait all prisoners share and this is by the far the most common topic of conversation. If it's not what crime a person has committed in the past, it's what they're planning to do upon release. During associations, in the gym, even throughout educational lessons people discuss, share and swap ideas on what they're planning in the future. Sadly prison is seen as an occupational hazard by far too many.

I find that having a deep belief in such a 'lost' cause gives me the strength to make prison a productive experience. Being part of, and supported by a wider social struggle makes it all worthwhile.

Love & Liberation - Lewis



# Letters

## Kerry Whitburn - HMP Lowdham Grange

Unfortunately, we had a lovely long five page letter from Kerry but we had run out of space in this newsletter! We hopefully will be able to reproduce Kerry's full letter on the SG website, once we have checked that it is ok with him.

Monday - 05-04-10

Hello everyone! I hope all is good for you all, in health, life and love. I must say a huuuuge thank you to everybody who has supported and helped me, so far. Your support is invaluable and I truly appreciate you all. I also appreciate you all for the patience and understanding you extend to me, when it takes me ages to reply to letters!

By now everyone who wrote to me between November 2009 and February 2010 should've received a reply from me, even though it was a typed 'one letter serves all'. Again I thank you for your wonderful support and your patience.

Whatever form of abuse is inflicted upon any animal is wrong. I do not care how businesses involved in any form of self serving exploitation of animals attempts to explain, excuse or justify their barbaric and torturous actions, I will never except it!

None of you (us) are extremists. We are caring, affectionate, compassionate, aware, alert, sensitive, kind, giving, warm, emotional and passionate individuals who can not live daily lives with ignorance or selective and self serving compassion. I make no apology for detailing those images I witnessed on television today, because I know each and everyone of you will relate to the emotions I then experienced. And this is why I also know I am lucky to be associated with such people as all of you, because it is heartwarming and spiritually uplifting to know there are so many individuals completely opposed to all animal suffering caused by their exploitation. People who don't accept

it's scientifically viable to lock animals in cages in order to torture them and invent a lie to the public. People who don't stand gawping and laughing and applauding whilst animals are cruelly coerced into 'entertaining' them. People who don't 'agree' that: "Oh, It's ok to eat/drink that, because it's 'free range' and at least the animal had some freedom"! People who don't see wearing animal skins as fashion! The list of 'people who don't...' could continue; but I don't need to continue as you all know what I mean because you are the people I am writing about. It is extremely reassuring to know that there are individuals who do strongly care about the plight of animals and who not not fall for the conspiracies of big business.

Thank you to all of you, for all you do!

Take care, everyone of you!

Love and big hugs

Kerry xxxxxxxxxx

## UK Prisoners

**Prisoners really appreciate letters and staying in touch with the outside world, it's one thing that makes their incarceration more bearable.**

### Jonny Ablewhite (A5750AH) - New number, Dec '09

HMP Hewell, Hewell Lane, Redditch, Worcs B97 6QS.

Jonny has been inside since September 2005 and is serving 12 years for conspiracy in connection with the Newchurch Guinea Pigs Campaign. Birthday: 27th January.

### Dan Amos (A6987AN) - New number, 04/04/10

HMP & YOI Guys Marsh, Shaftesbury, Dorset SP7 0AH.

In January 2009 Dan was sentenced to 4 years for conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns. Birthday: 19th November

### Gregg Avery (TA7450)

HMP Coldingley, Shaftesbury Road, Bisley, Woking, Surrey GU24 9EX.

In January 2009 Gregg was sentenced to 9 years for conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns. Birthday: 5th December

**Natasha Avery (A5180AD)**

HMP Send, Ripley Road, Woking, Surrey GU23 7LJ.  
In January 2009 Natasha was sentenced to 9 years for conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns. Birthday: 28th December

**Mel Broughton - Released on bail, 30/03/10** after a successful appeal where his charges were quashed, but the CPS have asked for another re-trial and he now awaits his 3rd trial, the 2nd re-trial in June!

**Heather Nicholson (A3158AJ) - New number, Jan '10**  
HMP Foston Hall, Foston, Derby, Derbyshire DE65 5DN.  
In January 2009 Heather was sentenced to 11 years for conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns. Birthday: 30th January

**Lewis Pogson (A6454AK) - Moved 12-03-10**  
HMP Stocken, Stocken Hall Road, Stretton, Nr Oakham, Rutland, LE15 7RD.  
Lewis was sentenced on 18th January 2010 to 3 years imprisonment in connection with alleged offences at Highgate Farm, breeders of rabbits and ferrets for vivisection based in Lincolnshire.  
Birthday: 23rd February

**Gavin Medd-Hall (WV9475)**  
HMP Coldingley, Shaftesbury Road, Bisley, Woking, Surrey GU24 9EX  
In January 2009 Gavin was sentenced to 8 years for conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns. Birthday: 20th March

**Gerrah Selby** - In January 2009 Gerrah was sentenced to 4 years for conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns. For various reasons she would prefer that her prison address not be distributed but you can leave comments of support at her support page: [www.myspace.com/supportgerrah](http://www.myspace.com/supportgerrah)

**Nicole Vosper (VM9385)**  
HMP Bronzefield, Woodthorpe Road, Ashford, Middlesex, TW15 3JZ  
Nicole Vosper entered a plea at Winchester Crown Court on 16/03/09 to charges of conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns and was remanded in custody. Birthday 15th February

**Dan Wadham (A5705AA)**  
HMP Camp Hill, Newport, Isle of Wight PO30 5PB  
In January 2009 Dan was sentenced to 5 years for conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns. Birthday: 3rd February

**Kerry Whitburn (TB4886)**

HMP Lowdham Grange, Lowdham, Nottingham NG14 7DA. Kerry has been inside since September 2005, and is serving 12 years for conspiracy in connection with the Newchurch Guinea Pigs Campaign. Birthday: 18th April

**Sarah Whitehead (VM7684)**

HMP Bronzefield, Woodthorpe Road, Ashford, Middlesex. TW15 3JZ  
Sarah entered a plea in 2009 at Winchester Crown Court to charges of conspiracy in connection with HLS campaigns and was remanded in custody. Birthday: 12th February

## International Prisoners

**Tre Arrow - Released - 04-12-09**

After nearly six years incarcerated in Canadian and US prisons, Tre is free! He gives an enormous serving of gratitude to all who supported him while he was imprisoned. More information: [www.trearrow.org](http://www.trearrow.org)  
Birthday: 9th January

**Nathan Block, #36359-086**

FCI Lompoc, 3600 Guard Road, Lompoc, CA 93436, USA.  
Sentenced to 7 years and 8 months. (one of the Operation Backfire prisoners - e-mail: [solidaritywithsadieandexile@gmail.com](mailto:solidaritywithsadieandexile@gmail.com)) Birthday: 6th March

**Jacob Conroy - Released to Halfway house, 07/11/09**

SHAC 7 prisoner Jake Conroy has been released from federal prison to a halfway house in the Bay Area. Jake sends his thanks for all the support he had while he was inside - [www.supportJake.org](http://www.supportJake.org) Birthday: 3rd February

**Lauren Gazzola - Released - 17-03-10**

Lauren was released from prison on 17th March 2010 and will complete her sentence at a halfway house. Lauren sends endless thanks to everyone who has supported the SHAC 7 since their arrest. See: [www.supportlauren.com/](http://www.supportlauren.com/) Birthday: 1st May

**Alex Hall, #2009-06304**

Davis County Jail, 800 West State St, Farmington, UT 84025, USA. Remanded on alleged mink liberations. [www.supportbjandalex.com](http://www.supportbjandalex.com) Birthday: May 5th

**Kevin Kjonaas 93502-011**

FCI Sandstone, P.O. Box 1000, Sandstone, MN 55072, USA. Sentenced to 6 years. , one of the SHAC 7 (now 1) prisoners - [www.shac7.com/kevin/index.htm](http://www.shac7.com/kevin/index.htm) Birthday: 31st October

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**Marie J Mason #04672-061**

FCI Waseca, Federal Correctional Institution, PO Box 1731, Waseca, MN 56093, USA. Sentenced on 5th Feb 2009 to 21 years, 10 months for ELF/ALF actions. <http://supportmariemason.org> Birthday: 26th January

**Eric McDavid X-2972521 7E128**

FCI Victorville, Medium II, Federal Correctional Institution, PO Box 5300, Adelanto, CA 92301, USA. Sentenced to just under 20 years for conspiring to think about actions! (Part of an FBI sting operation) [www.supporteric.org](http://www.supporteric.org) Birthday: 7th October

**Daniel McGowan, #63794-053**

USP Marion, U.S. Penitentiary, P.O. Box 1000, Marion, IL 62959, USA. Sentenced to 7 years for his part in two arsons and his role in an ELF/ALF conspiracy. (one of the Operation Backfire prisoners - [www.supportdaniel.org](http://www.supportdaniel.org)) Birthday: 7th October

**Kevin Olliff, #1300931**

TTCF 161 D-Pod, 450 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, USA. Kevin pleaded no contest to conspiracy charges and will be sentenced in May 2010. He faces a sentence of up to three years. <http://www.supportkevin.org/> Birthday: 27th March

**Jonathan Paul, #07167-085**

FCI Phoenix, Federal Correctional Institution, 37910 N 45th Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85086, USA. Sentenced to 51 months for his part in two arsons in an ELF/ALF conspiracy. (one of the Operation Backfire prisoners - [www.supportjonathan.org](http://www.supportjonathan.org)) Birthday: 31st January

**William James Viehl, #2009-05735 - Moved 01-04-10**

FCI Terminal Island, Po Box 3007, San Pedro, CA 90731, USA. In February 2010, William was sentenced to two years in prison for his part in liberating over 600 mink from a fur farm. [www.supportbjandalex.com](http://www.supportbjandalex.com) Birthday: May 19th

**Briana Waters #36432-086**

FCI Danbury, Federal Correctional Institution, Route 37, Danbury, CT 06811, USA. Briana is serving a six year sentence for allegedly acting as a look-out during an ELF arson. (one of the Operation Backfire prisoners - [www.supportbriana.org](http://www.supportbriana.org))

**Joyanna Zacher, #1662550**

Lane County Jail, 101 West 5th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97401, USA. Sentenced to 7 years and 8 months. (one of the Operation Backfire prisoners - e-mail: [solidaritywithsadieandexile@gmail.com](mailto:solidaritywithsadieandexile@gmail.com)) Birthday: 25th January

**Dutch Mink Liberation prisoner - 18-02-10**

Following previous arrests of three others (who have all been bailed pending a later trial), a fourth suspect in the mink liberation case in the Netherlands from October 2009 has now been arrested. A 23 year old male Dutch activist has been remanded in prison. He has spent 4 weeks remanded in another country and has now been extradited to the Netherlands, where he is still being held on remand. We do not currently know how long this will last. He is doing fine and he is getting vegan food.

For legal reasons we cannot name the suspect at present, but he would welcome everyone to write messages of support to him at: Steungroep Veganisten Achter Tralies (SVAT) email: [svat@riseup.net](mailto:svat@riseup.net)

**Two Mexican AR prisoners - 05-04-10**

**Diego Alonso** - After four months on the run, Diego was arrested on a warrant in early March 2010, after he tried to squat at a house in the Barrera neighborhood of Guadalajara, Jalisco. Diego is being held at a youth detention center in Jalisco, where he will stay until trial. There is little information about his case, but he may be accused of involvement in several actions that targeted banks, slaughterhouses and other institutions.

Write to Diego at: [libertadparadiego@hush.ai](mailto:libertadparadiego@hush.ai)

**Adrian Magdaleno Gonzales** - Arrested on February 4, 2010 and is held in Mexico City's Reclusorio Norte prison. He is also accused of actions against a Banamex bank in September 2009 in Mexico City's Milpa Alta borough, and of involvement in actions claimed by the Frente de Liberación Animal [Animal Liberation Front]. He was sentenced to 5 years and 10 months.

Write to Adrian at: [libertadparaadrian@hushmail.me](mailto:libertadparaadrian@hushmail.me)

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