

BIG GREEN GATHERING

The BGG for 2006 is scheduled for the first week in August at the same place as last year. However, the festival made a loss of around £60,000 last year, and need to find money to pay this off. This is the first time they have made a loss; every previous BGG was bigger than the last but 2005 saw a drop in tickets sold from 14,500 to around 13,500. Around 14,000 sales were required to break even.

The organisers say that if everybody who bought a ticket paid an extra £5, that would clear the debt. More to the point perhaps, if the 5,000 people who got free tickets as workers, contributors or hangers on paid £12 each, that would clear the debt as well.

The organisers welcome donations, which will be refunded if the financial situation is not resolved. They are also offering non-profit shares in the BGG for £20, which entitle you to a vote at the AGM. Again, these will not be processed unless the company continues.

Send cheques, made payable to the Big Green Gathering Co Ltd, to BGG, 10 St John's Square, Glastonbury, Somerset BA6 9LJ; and don't forget to supply your address.