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Jude Dennis - Lesbiana

Jude was the last Editor of Lesbiana which was established by Sheril Berkovitch and Pat Longmore in 1992 (reference Sheril Berkovitch, (128), issue no 1, March 1992 – issue no 38, August 1995).

Jude took over from Jan Campbell (reference Jan Campbell, (82), issue no 39 September 1995 – issue no 89, April 2000) and was the Editor of Lesbiana from issue no 90, May 2000, till she stopped production of Lesbiana with issue no 130, March 2004.

For these fourteen years Lesbiana provided a monthly forum of news, book, play and film reviews, articles, information, group notices, ads, letters to the editor and other matters of relevance to the lesbian community with eleven issues a year, including a double issue for December/January.

Lesbiana grew bigger and slightly glossier over the years but essentially the magazine continued to provide a necessary source of information for lesbians about a whole range of health, cultural, social, economic and political issues, provided a forum for ideas and discussions on a wide range of topics, enabled groups to publicise fundraising events and functions, included a contact list of current lesbian groups and was financially supported by lesbian businesses which were able to advertise at reasonable rates.

Without prior warning, Lesbiana suddenly stopped production with issue 130 March 2004.

Jude in conjunction with Lindy Cameron began publishing Velvet Tipt with the first issue coming out September/October 2005.