



Christine Bott bred goats at her small-holding near Tregaron. Here she exhibits her goat Stella at Aberystwyth agricultural show in 1975

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Alston 'Smiles' Hughes, an LSD dealer who lived the 'hippy' lifestyle in Llanddewi Brefi.

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David Litvinoff lived at Cefn-bedd, Llanddewi Brefi. An ugly spat between him and Ronnie Kray had forced him to uproot from London to Llanddewi Brefi.

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Sergeant Julie Taylor from the Wiltshire Constabulary. Operation Julie was named after her.  
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Detective Superintendent Dennis Greenslade was executive commander of Scotland Yard's Central Drugs Intelligence Unit (CDIU), with Operation Julie officers searching Llanddewi Brefi quarry.

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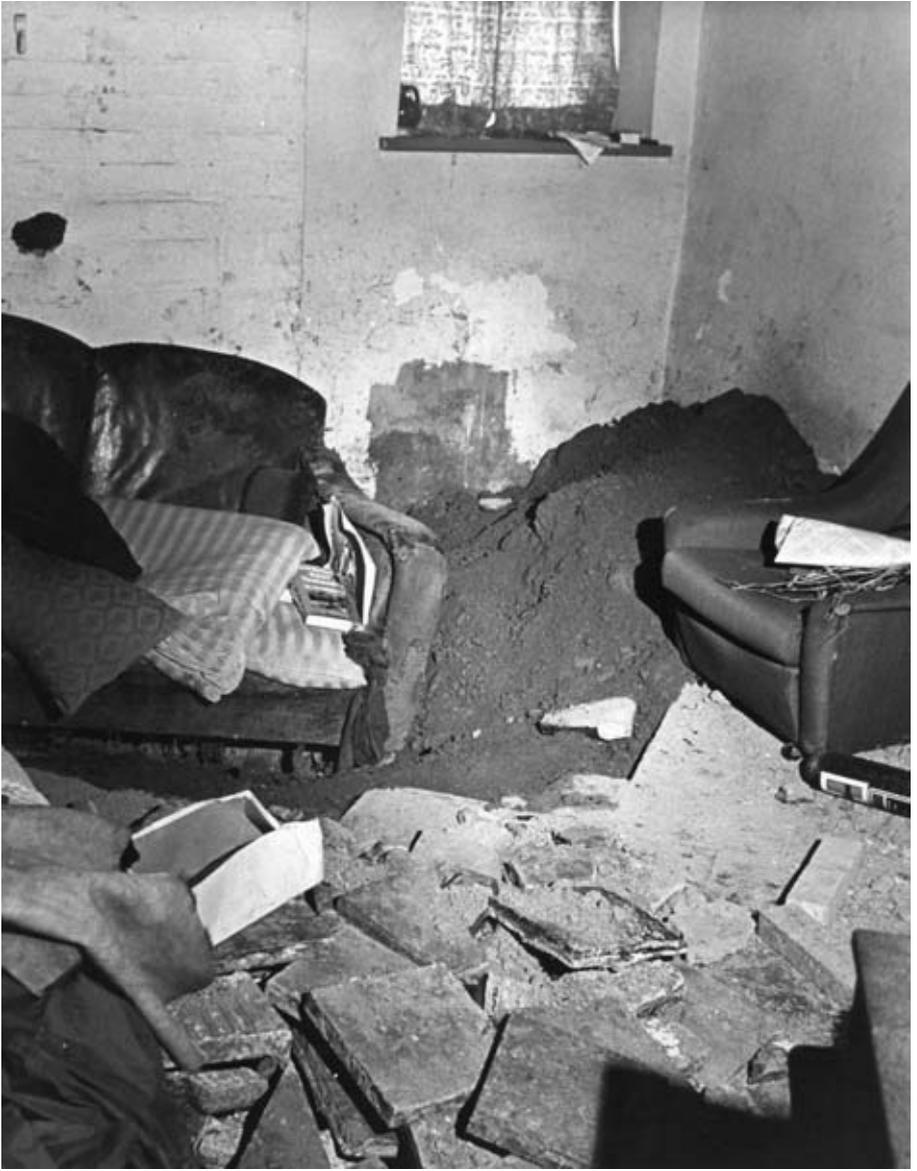
Detectives from the Dyfed Powys Police force who participated in Operation Julie, following the trial at Bristol Crown Court.

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The morning of the swoop, and a mystery visitor is escorted from Y Glyn, Llanddewi Brefi by Detective Constable Gwyn Jones of the Dyfed Powys force.

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Penlleinaw was Richard Kemp and Christine Bott's home. Operation Julie police officers smashed open the sole entrance with a 14-pound sledge hammer before rummaging through the cottage in search of LSD. Police officers later even considered demolishing Penlleinaw stone by stone.

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Penlleinau, Blaencaron stood in two acres of land.

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Penlleinain as it is today.

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Reflecting the remoteness of this area of mid Wales, Penlleinau is situated just right of centre.

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Esgairwen Uchaf, Cwmann was the home of Dr Mark Tcharney, a London doctor and his partner Hillary Rees. Police officers believed that this was to become a laboratory for the production of LSD and would in time replace Plas Llyslyn as a production centre. 50,000 LSD tablets were found hidden under a stone in one of the fields.

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Plas Llysyn, Carno, the home of Paul Joseph Arnaboldi, which became a centre for the production of LSD tabs.



The cellars at Plas Llysyn. Most rooms in the cellar were full of debris, but two were spotlessly clean with concreted floors.

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Bronwydd, a mile up the valley on the mountain road from Tregaron was the temporary home for police officers Dick Lee and Dave Redrup.

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At Bronwydd undercover police officers watched events at Penlleinau.

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Bronwydd as it is today.

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Nantylles, Tregaron was also used by undercover police officers.

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The Talbot Hotel, Tregaron: undercover police officers would regularly drop in for a pint in order to overhear local gossip.

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The Railway Hotel, Tregaron: a regular drinking haunt of a dealer called 'Doug'.

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Alston 'Smiles' Hughes and Russell Spenceley would set up meetings here in order to switch plastic bags full of LSD for money.

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The Ram Inn, Cwmann: the scene of other switches of LSD for cash.

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The Drovers' Arms, Ffarmers was another pub where 'Smiles' and Spenceley met up. On the 15<sup>th</sup> of December 1976, Spenceley entered the public house carrying a white plastic bag containing LSD worth £125,000

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