

## Re: No Chooks For Xmas ;-(

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- *From:* "Mark" <a@xxxxx>
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Hi,

Oddly enough my trail is nearly the same.  
I was raised in Aberdeenshire and then moved near Sheffield.  
But never in the country.

Well the things i like are :-  
Complete lack of crime  
Clean  
Fresh Air  
Chickens!  
Empty roads (with pot holes)  
No speed cameras!

Don't likes are:-  
Can't by (insert anything other than spuds) anywhere.  
Everything costs 30% more than the UK price  
The wages are roughly 30% LESS than the UK wages (so that doesn't help)  
Racist people  
Small minded , blinkered views of the people here.  
Complete lack of awareness of the outside world.  
Oh and none of the good catholic irish girls will entertain an  
English bloke for a second so would be single for next 40 years if i stayed  
:-)  
Irish TV is DIRE, thank god for Sky.

Guess there are more dislikes than likes but i could put up with some of  
them.  
The fact there is virtually no crime is worth staying.  
A recent newspaper headline here was "Man charged with shouting at woman."  
And thats a legit headline. They are always the same kind of thing.  
Its 100% employment almost too which means everyone is too busy to comit any  
crime.

I have worked everywhere from Texas to Totness but no one will give me a job  
here so i have  
to assume its not my problem.

Right on with the packing, nearly done.

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Mark.

" Jill" <newsNOSPAM@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
news:43a7463d\$0\$27174\$ed2619ec@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx  
> Mark wrote:  
>> Hi,  
>>  
>> Thanks for that.  
>> I HATE the city, i love the country.  
>> I feel much better here. I am gutted to leave.  
>  
> What is it you want – what did you love – what did you hate?  
>  
>> I went to Scotland before i came here and got the  
>> same reception.  
>  
> ??  
>  
>> Maybe i should work on my accent.  
>  
> I am the only one in my ancestry to be born south of Sheffield – my family  
> are entirely Yorkshire, Lancashire! and Aberdeenshire.  
> But I grew up in a very small village which was still feudal – as I grew  
up  
> it got infiltrated from the nearest city via new motorways [50 miles  
away] –  
> it taught me a lot about the dynamics of small village politics from a  
VERY  
> early age. And how difficult it is to understand!  
> These days many parts of Soctland and Ireland are very bad for this.  
>  
>> It wouldn't have been as bad if i wasn't raised in Scotland !  
>> But i am an IT project manager, no call for them here.  
>  
> hmmm – sorry I am not sure what one of those does!!!  
> but I do know that there are parts of the Highlands— not Argyll !!! where  
> the IT investment has been very important  
> but this is businesses who can be anywhere and the folks do not mind  
> travelling south regularly and, if necessary at a drop of a hat  
>  
>> Only people here that make money are A.Irish and B.Builders/Farmers.  
>  
> No farmers I know of unless they are selling building land !!!!  
>  
>> The anti–social welcome is the main reason why i am going.  
>> I don't mind being poor so long as i have food and heat.  
>> But i can't spend another year in isolation.  
>  
> Crumbs – that does sound harsh – its certainly not what I have heard

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> experienced in Ireland nor in Scotland  
>  
>> I hvan't eaten fast food for nearly 2 years.  
>  
> ---- urm --- ah yes -- when I was down in Paisley supporting Mum for her hip  
> operation in the middle of the summer and the lovely restaurant close to  
B&B  
> was full --- really crap but really scrummy at the time !!  
>  
>> I haven't seen a McDonalds since i drove thru wales on the way here.  
>> Will be nice to be able to buy lawn mowers at 3am again tho.  
>  
> WHAT !!!!!  
> okay WHO even thinks -- lets the thought cross their grey cells -- triggers  
> their synapses -- with the idea of BUYING A LAWN MOWER in December let  
alone  
> at 3 AM in DECEMBER !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!  
>  
> <very big grin>  
>  
>  
>>  
>> Oh well end of a dream  
>  
> maybe -- maybe not -- maybe you just need to ease yourself more gently  
through  
> different stages where your skills and character will be better  
appreciated  
>  
> I sure as heck would not fit in ANY city -- how ever much they paid !!!  
> I might get by but I would NEVER fit in  
> Fitting into the country is easier --- but it is not EASY  
>  
> I hope you not give in on your dream  
>  
> And certainly living in London does not exclude many parts of your dream  
> including keeping chickens --- I never fail to be surprised at the  
> destinations of the poultry houses, books, and incubators I sell  
>  
> Good luck in 2006 and live your dream whatever it is  
>  
> ---  
>  
> regards  
> Jill Bowis  
>  
> Pure bred utility chickens and ducks  
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>> [news:43a71ca5\\$0\\$63086\\$ed2e19e4@xx](mailto:news:43a71ca5$0$63086$ed2e19e4@xx)  
>>> Mark wrote:  
>>>> Well i have finally given up on country living...  
>>>> Reality is there ain't no money here so i am going back to London  
>>>> and my chooks have to go.  
>>>  
>>> Mark  
>>> What a shame you have not found what you were looking for in a  
>>> different environment  
>>>  
>>> To choose to be in the country is to choose to do without a LOT -- a  
>>> LOT -- and I will say it again -- a LOT.  
>>> There is a good reason why many businesses in the country do not pay  
>>> tax -- it costs to live in the country, you don't earn the same, the  
>>> expectations are different and just about everything seems to  
>>> conspire to work against you at times  
>>> The cost / benefit analysis is very different from an equivalent  
>>> business in the city -- and that covers the business and the family  
>>> values :~))  
>>>  
>>> Choosing a completely different country to do it in is even more of  
>>> a shock  
>>>  
>>> I was putting together some contact details for poultry folks within  
>>> 100 miles of you that I could find to help you  
>>>  
>>>  
>>>> I have not had them long but i will really miss them.  
>>>> They were all i had in this bleak unfriendly country.  
>>>>  
>>>> Oh -- that sounds so sad  
>>>>  
>>>> I feel like i have betrayed them.  
>>>> I know they don't know that, they're a bunch of mouldy-bread sluts.  
>>>>  
>>>> Hey -- they are better than that !! <very big grin>  
>>>>  
>>>>  
>>>>> Oh well..  
>>>>>  
>>>>> Maybe one day i will try again.

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>>>  
>>> There are lots of places you can go to for courses and working  
>>> holidays around country to learn more and do experience the life in  
>>> short bursts. Don't give up – but enjoy your new life back in the  
>>> city --- maybe that is where you are happiest  
>>> Someone has to be <even bigger grin>  
>>>  
>>> HAVe a HAPPY Yuletide season  
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>>> regards  
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>>>>  
>>>> Signing off  
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>>>> Mark.  
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