

More Time Share Rip Offs

In spite of massive adverse publicity and a crack down by the Office of Fair Trading, the Time Share merchants are still trying it on. Holiday Ownership Exchange has had a complaint upheld against it according to the latest *Advertising Standards Authority Monthly Report*.

Land Travel Ltd of Bath has had another complaint upheld against it by the ASA, the third in twelve months. The complaint concerns an eight day trip to Ostend which included a visit to Cologne. The Cologne excursion failed to materialise. The company was warned to take extra care about its itinerary in future.



To Russia With Books

Ian Mitchell, editor of the prestigious literary magazine *Topical Books* is leading a thirteen day tour of Russia. This is not the first time Mr Mitchell has visited the country, so those who join his party are certain to benefit from both his contacts and experience as well as enjoy the more conventional aspects of the tour: sightseeing and trips to the ballet.

The Russian Literary Tour will concentrate on the two cities of Moscow and St Petersburg; there will be opportunities to visit the Moscow Foreign Languages Library, the Writers' Union, the Pushkin Museum, Red Square, Gorky Park and the grave of Boris Pasternak, author of *Dr Tschivago*.

The cost of the tour is £1,495; further details from Master Travel on 081-671 7521 or fax 081-671 7327. Ian Mitchell can be contacted on 0496 2119. *Topical Books* is available on subscription (£8.95) from The Cogitorium, Ardtalla, Isle of Islay, Scotland, PA42 7EF. , or from many bookshops, Dillons, Waterstones etc.



Talking of Russia, the Molodyozhny Hotel in Moscow has been added to the Seligo reservation service. Prices are £52 per night with free accommodation for children. Molodyozhny is pronounced Molodoysni.