

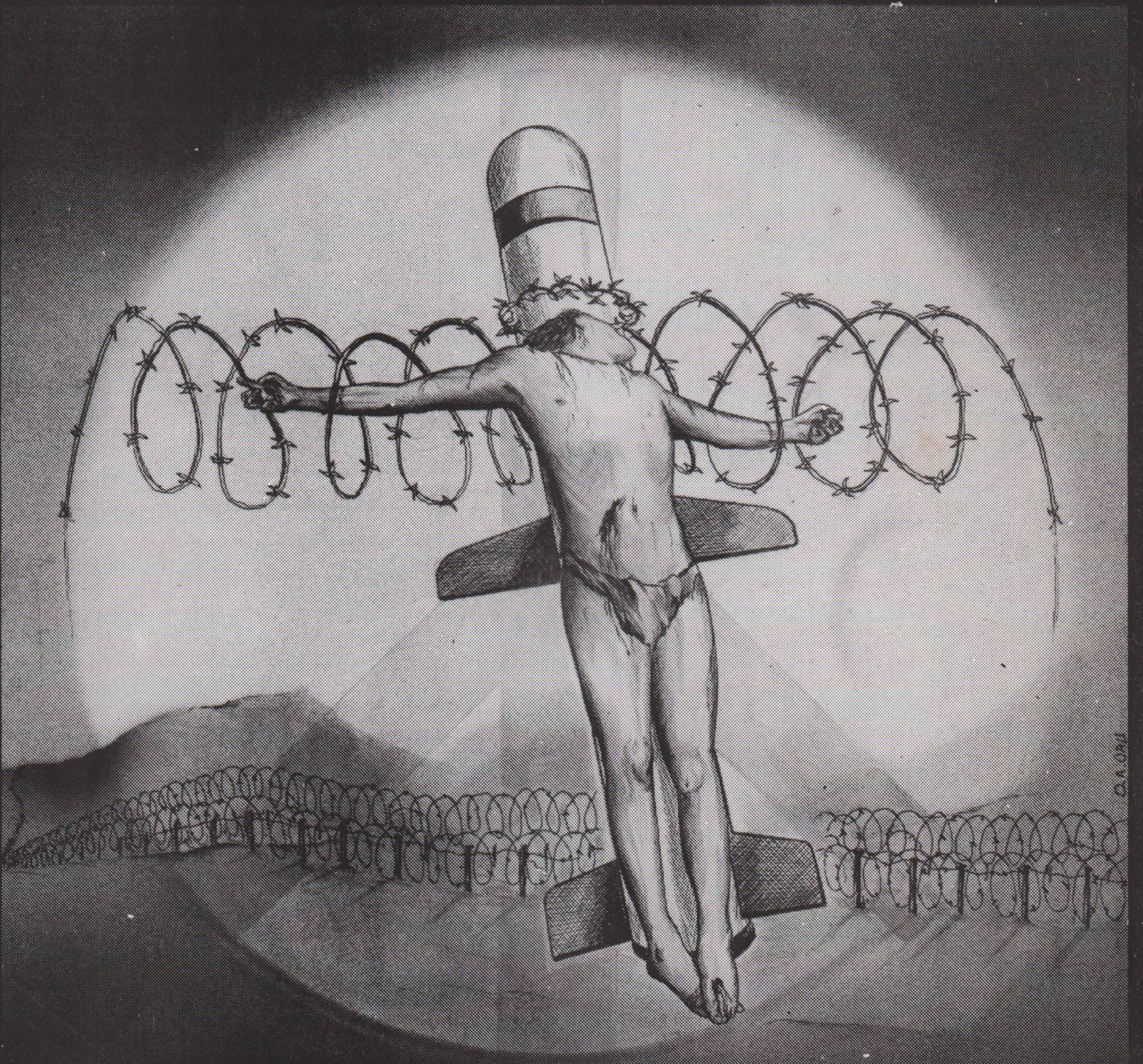
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NOTTINGHAM

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Bulletin

NOTTM. CAMPAIGN for NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT — APRIL 1985 — 20p — (free to NCND members)



EASTER - MOLESWORTH

APRIL.

- 2nd. Bestwood N/G. 8.00pm. Top Valley Library.
- 3rd. Chilwell to Molesworth March Starts.
- 4th. Co-Ordinating. 7.30pm. NCND Office.
- 5th. National March. Leicester to Molesworth.
- 7th. Easter Sunday at Greenham. (see page 4).
Candlelit Vigil at Molesworth.
- 8th. Easter Demo at Molesworth.
- 10th. Molesworth Day of Action.
(coaches - Salutation 8.30am).
Peace Festival Meeting. 8.00pm. NCND Office.
- 12th. Music Group Practice and Planning Mtg. 7.30pm. NCND Office.
- 14th. Members' Meeting 7.30pm. 25, Clarendon Street. 'The Bomb in the Hands of a Secret Few'.
- 15th. Channel 4 programme. 11.00pm.
- 16th. Raleigh Street N/G Meeting. 8.00pm - All Saints C.C.
- 22nd. Channel 4 programme. 11pm. Trent Poly CND - Dimpleby's 'The Bomb'. Byron Lecture Theatre. Shakespeare Street. 7.30pm.

- 23rd. 'The Bomb'. Tiered Lecture Theatre, Clifton Campus. 7.30pm.
- 27th. May Bulletin Ready for Collection.
- 29th. Channel 4 programme. 11pm.

MAY.

- 2nd. Co-Ordinating Meeting. 7.30pm. NCND Office.
- 9th. COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS.
- 12th. Members' Meeting, 7.30pm, 25, Clarendon Street.
- 17th. National Trident Ballot begins.
- 27th. National Trident Ballot ends.
- 29th. MARCH from USAF MOLESWORTH to USAF ALCONBURY.

JUNE.

- 15th. Radio-activity. 10.30 - 4.00pm.
- 21st - GLASTONBURY
- 23rd. FESTIVAL.
- 22nd. NOTTINGHAM TRIDENT MARCH.
- 30th. WELFARE not WARFARE PICNIC at RAF Newton.

SEPTEMBER.

- 21st. PEACE CONFERENCE with FRANK BARNABY.

MONTHLY MEETING

APRIL MONTHLY MEETING.

Joint NCND/MCANW Meeting.

Sunday, April 14th. 7.30pm. Friends Meeting House, Clarendon Street.

'The Bomb in the Hands of a Secret Few' with Dr. Garri Donn of the Oxford Reserch Group

After two years work, the privately - funded Oxford Reserch Group has identified 800 individuals Worldwide who are the Nuclear decision-makers. As Dr. Donn will explain, they are not politicians and are not accountable to Parliament.

TO OUR CONTRIBUTORS

Apologies to those whose pieces have had to be held over.

Please, if possible, let us have contributions in advance of the deadline, so that we avoid a last minute rush.

SCHOOLS DISCUSS NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

Over the past month or so, a number of schools have invited NCND to put the case for nuclear disarmament to 5th and 6th form pupils - sometimes following a visit from the armed forces or "Peace through NATO". A short talk has been followed by questions and discussion in small groups. Lively debate has ensued and much has been learnt on both sides! Speakers have also visited a Venture Scouts group.

If anyone knows of any school (or youth group) that might like to fit us into their programme, let the office know.

N.C.N.D.

TRIDENT CAMPAIGN

NOTTINGHAM'S THREE-PRONGED CAMPAIGN

To raise CND's profile in the increasingly anti-Trident debate, National CND is planning a two-pronged street campaign - a week of street ballots and a longer term anti-Trident petition. NCND is adding a third prong in organising a local march and rally on SATURDAY JUNE 22nd and we will be producing our own anti-Trident leaflet for mass distribution.

NATION-WIDE TRIDENT BALLOT MAY 17 - 27

During the period Saturday May 17 to Monday May 27, we are asking all groups to mobilise to conduct a public ballot in areas of their choosing. This has been done very successfully in some areas of the country and has proven a good way of activating dormant members and of getting across the message about Trident. Usually about 80% of people vote against.

The idea is that in high streets, colleges, work places, meetings and anywhere else where you feel you would find the public willing to express their democratic rights, a large number of people will be asked, on the basis of all the main arguments, for and against, whether they support the Trident decision. This approach has been found to get through to a lot of people who would not normally take a leaflet or engage in a discussion on the street.

Because doing the Ballot is less threatening to the public than doorstep canvassing or leafleting, this is a very good campaigning technique for local members who in the past have been a little reluctant to take part in street-level work. National CND will produce Ballot forms, posters and other materials, which will be ready in April.

NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS - PLEASE START ORGANISING NOW to choose the best places in your area to set up a table and Ballot Boxes, get members to run the polling stations on a rota AND choose a representative to come to our organising meeting on 23 APRIL.

NOTTINGHAM ANTI-TRIDENT MARCH & RALLY 22 JUNE

We have booked the Market Square for Saturday June 22nd for a March and Rally which we hope to make as big as possible. The NCND Media Group is working on the design of a leaflet for mass distribution.

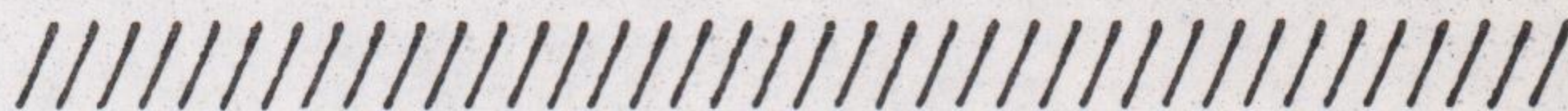
PETITION

Some of the Trident leaflets can be printed without Rally details so that they can be used in an on-going local campaign against Trident. Another aspect on the on-going campaign will be a new National Petition which will allow us to take the arguments about Trident onto the streets throughout 1985.

GETTING IT ALL GOING

Certain steps like booking the square and getting the leaflet designed have been taken. But an enormous amount of work needs to be done. We are calling for people to come forward to be on a working group and hope that neighbourhoods will send at least one representative. The first meeting will be on TUESDAY 23 APRIL at 7.30 P.M. at the NCND office.

Ann Kestenbaum



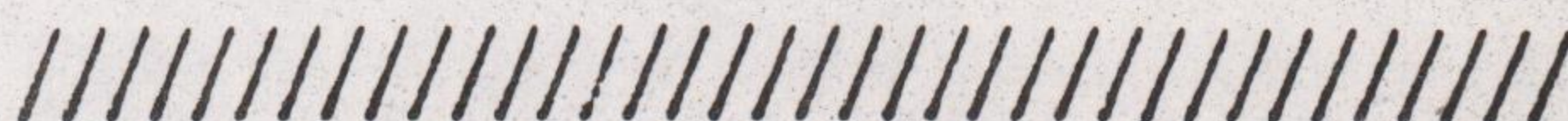
NATIONAL EASTER DEMO MOLESWORTH

APRIL 3 - 4 MARCH. CHILWELL TO LEICESTER
APRIL 5 - 7 National sponsored March
Leicester to Molesworth

Easter Sunday. Overnight Candlelit Vigil
Easter Monday - MASS DEMO
EVERYONE NEEDED

Coaches: Leave Salutation Inn 8.30 am
Return from Molesworth 5 pm

Tickets: £4 (£2 unwaged) from NCND office
PLEASE BUY TICKETS EARLY SO THAT MORE COACHES
CAN BE ORDERED IF NEEDED



REMEMBER GREENHAM

Greenham Common Women's Peace Camp STILL has women at every gate. Despite DAILY EVICTIONS, women are still regularly entering the base, even during the exercises accompanying the monthly cruise convoy outings. Everyone is talking about Molesworth now, but don't forget the women at Greenham need your support too!

The most helpful thing is for women to go to Greenham for any length of time they can manage. Thursdays are especially crucial because many women who stay regularly at the camp have to sign on then.

Equally important are donations of money which will be used for paying fines, funding Greenham Meals on Wheels, tax and fuel for vehicles (essential for coping with evictions), and paying the coach fares of Nottingham women who want to go to Greenham, but can't afford to, otherwise. The same byelaws coming into effect at Molesworth are being applied to Greenham which could greatly increase the financial burden of fines on the women.

NOTTINGHAM WOMEN FOR PEACE....

- Collect donations for Greenham (Send to Pennie, 16 Annesley Grove, Nottingham.)
- Put women in touch with other women going to Greenham.
- Meet Tuesdays 7.45, St. Andrews Church Hall, Chestnut Grove, Mapperley Road.
- Contact Pennie 411686 for more information.

EASTER SUNDAY at GREENHAM.

COACH: Salutation Inn 9 a.m. Cost £3 - 4.

Ring Nottm. 625363 to check details.

WOMEN ONLY.

VIV KENDON.

NEW ZEALAND

Co-ordinating Meeting authorized the sending of a letter to the New Zealand High Commissioner expressing support for his government's refusal to allow US nuclear weapons into New Zealand ports.

KRISTIAN RAVNKILDE

At the end of March, Kristian resigned as Co-chairperson of Nottingham CND. He feels he should devote more time to his family and that he can no longer put in the time and effort he knows are required to fulfil the demanding role of Co-Chairperson.

On behalf of the Exec, and the wider membership of NCND may I express our deep gratitude and appreciation of the selfless work he has put in over the last three years to keep Nottingham CND going and to maintaining it as a voice for Peace in this city.

I know he was and will remain active in the Beeston Anti-Nuclear Group and I think everyone in NCND would want me to wish him every success in his future activities.

SOVIET NUCLEAR WEAPONS

The proposal put by Lenton Group in the February bulletin that the forthcoming visit of the Soviet foreign minister, Andrei Gromyko, should be the occasion for a national demonstration against Soviet nuclear weapons, came up at the last co-ordinating meeting. Seven neighbourhood groups had discussed the letter, The majority had been in favour of some form of demonstration. After much discussion, Co-ordinating Meeting has agreed to proposed a demonstration on a single theme: "CND opposes all nuclear weapons - East and West"

The proposal is being put to the next National Council meeting and a letter sent to other large CND groups to seek their support.

(see full text page14).

WITNESSES WANTED

As readers may be aware, on the 1st July 1984 at 'Reclaim Chilwell', Tony 'Boris' Dempsey was involved in a violent incident with the Army, as a result of which he was slightly injured.

Sometime was spent collect evidence and in October 1984, Boris lodged an official complaint with the Ministry of Defence, He has now been promised a full Royal Military Police inquiry, Although several witnesses have already provided a statement about the matter and although Boris has explicit photographs of the assault, many more people must have seen the incident. In the light of the MoD's promise, Boris would now like those people to come forward and give evidence to his solicitor.

If you can help, please contact Celia Lacey on Nottingham 472541.

COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The outcome of the County Council elections in May will have far-reaching consequences for NCND. Accordingly we approached political parties intending to run candidates in the Nottingham area for a statement of their policies on Defence & Disarmament. The statements that have been received so far follow. No reply has yet been received from the Conservative Party.

Labour Party

Disarmament and civil defence.

Nationally, the Party is committed to a non-nuclear defence policy, including the removal of all nuclear bases and weapons from the UK. Specifically, this means cancelling Trident, removing Cruise and returning American bases from whence they came. There are still arguments about Polaris but conference policy is clear that we shall abandon it.

Locally, the Labour County Council has a fine record of support for the peace movement. We are a nuclear free zone authority. We have grant-aided CND activities. We have supported many of the CND events and rallies. Our manifesto for the elections commits us to maintaining this role, viz:

"Labour will continue to publicise the evidence that it is not realistic to plan for defence against nuclear attack and will continue to assist the peace movement in its general campaigning. We will appoint a Nuclear Free Zone Officer for the County, whose main objective will be to assist the development and implementation of the County's policies on being a nuclear free zone. A reasonable budget will be supplied for this purpose. In addition, all council stationery and vehicles and road signs leading into the County will indicate the council's nuclear free zone policy."

If local authority workers are to be forced to take part in the charade of nuclear civil defence exercises, Labour will support those individuals and unions who opt for non-compliance with this absurdity.

In an authority which will certainly return either a Labour or Conservative Council, I hope that this information is sufficient to ensure that CND members can use their votes positively in the coming election.

RON STEVENSON,
(Labour Party Agent).

Liberal Party

The Bournemouth Liberal Assembly, 1984, marked an important step forward in creating a policy on Defence and Disarmament for the Liberal Party which was coherent, and upon which the party could unite. The aims of "Uniting for Peace" included, prominently:

- 1) An effective, non-nuclear, non-provocative system of defence.
- 2) Reaffirming our opposition to a British nuclear "independent deterrent". This means that the Liberal Party and the SDP call for the immediate cancellation of the Trident programme. Trident not only adds to the myth that Britain can continue to be a major "power" with its own nuclear defences, but will lead to the reduction of the "nuclear threshold" in the case of war because of the reduced funding available for conventional weapons. The Alliance calls for Polaris to be included in any East-West Disarmament negotiations.
- 3) Opposition to the deployment of further cruise missiles in this country and the immediate removal of those already here. The recent events at Molesworth are of particular concern to Liberals, because we feel that the introduction of "passports" for local residents and the military tactics to remove protestors from the area of the base pose a serious threat to the right to demonstrate.

The ultimate aim of Liberal defence policy is to create a verifiable nuclear free zone embracing the countries of Western and Eastern Europe and we attach particular emphasis on the removal of "battlefield" nuclear weapons from the front line of defence. Increased expenditure on conventional weapons, in pursuit of a non-nuclear defence policy, can be offset by the cancellation of Trident and abandonment of the extravagant "Fortress Falklands" policy.

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The national Liberal programme for the County Council elections includes support for County-wide Nuclear Free Zones and active involvement in the Nuclear Free Zones Steering Committee. The separation of "Civil Defence" provision from other emergency planning is supported by Liberals. Unfortunately, detailed policies of the Nottinghamshire Liberal Party are not available at the time of writing.

The Liberal Party does not just see the issue of Peace purely being one of nuclear disarmament and we will press for greater restrictions on the sales of conventional arms by developed countries to the less developed. Liberals would restrict Britain to sales on a European basis only, whilst negotiating for an agreement of this policy with NATO and Warsaw Pact countries, and we would support the adaptation of industries involved in the arms trade to more constructive civilian work.

Involvement by Liberals in the work of CND is severely hampered by the sectarianism that often prevails - too many people seem to believe that if you aren't a Socialist you aren't interested in nuclear disarmament. When contacts for Liberal CND have been published locally, harassment and insulting phone calls have been the result. Consequently, many Liberals who are active in CND prefer to keep quiet about their party affiliation and often they are involved in CND in one area and the Liberal Party in another

PHIL BEESLEY (Secretary)
South Nottinghamshire
Liberal Association.

Ecology Party

I enclose the ECO Peace Broadsheet which sets out our policies at length. Summaries of ECO policy can be found in the 'boxes' on pp 8,9,10,4,5,6 & 7. (This is too long to print, but is available at NCND office. Ed.)

To summarise even more briefly:

- No nuclear, chemical or biological weapons.
- No foreign bases.
- No involvement in NATO.
- Reduction of overall defence spending.
- Withdraw from arms trade and stop all export of military, nuclear and other repressive technology.
- Seek to establish non-nuclear European Alliance. (European Greens have a joint manifesto on this and other common areas.)

Nuclear Free Britain (i.e. no nuclear power either).

New economic order founded on peaceful, sustainable ecological principles, leading to reduction in tension caused by competition for scarce resources.

Increase Third World Aid linked to land use reform and rural development.

Scrap present Civil Defence plans and develop alternative strategies. (These are discussed in the centre pages of the broadsheet.)

Locally. for a while last year, Nottingham ECO had no active members, but since Christmas we've had an influx of committed people. We're fighting the County Council elections in Radford and Lenton. Rushcliffe and Broxtowe Ecology Parties also have candidates. If elected, we'd do everything possible to make Notts. a nuclear-free zone, but given the relative power of the MoD and CEGB, that doesn't really mean a lot, so we think it would be dishonest to stress this in our leaflet. We haven't finalised the leaflet, but we'll probably just be emphasising waste dumping as a specifically local issue and making a short statement on peace policy as part of a section of ECO nationally.

MONICA PALLIS,
Nottingham Ecology Party.

Communist Party

POLICY ON PEACE

British Unilateral Disarmament:

Fully support this as a first step towards multilateral disarmament.

Cruise:

Campaigned against the deployment of Cruise and Pershing missiles in Europe before NATO decision taken in 1979 to deploy them.

Actively campaigned against Cruise ever since, participated in CND activities around the issue and encouraged members to support the Greenham Common Peace Camp. (The Morning Star was the first and, for a while, the only National newspaper to give coverage to the Greenham Common camp.)

Trident:

Totally opposed to Trident programme. See it as a dangerous escalation of arms race as well as daylight robbery from people in Britain in terms of cuts resulting from it.

We believe that NATO's refusal to take into account British and French nuclear weapons in arms talks is obstructive and damaging.

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NATO:

We believe that Britain should withdraw from NATO. Cruise and Trident are inextricably bound up with NATO policies.

The drive for war is linked to the drive for profit - which is why the threat to world Peace comes from NATO and the USA.

Soviet Union:

Believe that the idea that we are threatened by the Soviet Union is a myth which is deliberately fostered by NATO powers to justify massive arms spending.

Nuclear Free Zones:

We welcome the adoption of NFZ policies by the City and County Councils. However, implementation of these policies needs to go further than grant awards to peace organisations, valuable though these are.

We believe that the Local Authorities should involve the peace movement, Trade Unions and the churches in discussions on implementation of the policies as part of building a broad campaign in support of the Peace movement's objectives, which would also make the links between the peace issue (e.g. over Civil Defence legislation) and the wider Tory attacks on local democracy.

In addition to campaigning around all these issues, we encourage our members to take an active part in the Peace movement.

Our paper, the Morning Star, is the ONLY national daily paper which gives wide and consistently sympathetic coverage to the Peace movement - and deserves to be more widely read amongst Peace activists!

JEFF STANIFORTH
District Secretary,
East Midlands District Committee,
Communist Party.

Nuclear Weapons Proliferation

Joint C.N.D./M.C.A.N.W. meeting.

Sunday 12th May

Friends Meeting House.

Speaker: Colin Hines, European Proliferation Information Centre.

There are at the moment six nuclear weapons countries, U.S., U.K., U.S.S.R., France, China and India. Two other countries are considered by most observers to have nuclear weapons - Israel and South Africa. Both countries have denied this for political reasons. There are about 36 countries with nuclear reactors in operation, under construction or planned. Some of the countries most likely to develop nuclear weapons because of perceived or real security needs, or prestige would be: Argentina, Brazil, Libya, Iraq, Pakistan and South Korea.

The NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY came into force in 1970. There are now 120 countries that have signed it. Under the terms of the treaty, nuclear weapons states are prohibited from transferring nuclear weapons or their control to non nuclear weapons states and they also must not assist them to manufacture nuclear weapons. The non nuclear weapons states agree not to receive or manufacture these weapons. Article 6 of the treaty commits all the signatories to undertake serious negotiations towards nuclear disarmament.

There is a review conference on the treaty every five years and the next one is in September 1985. At this conference, many issues will have to be faced if the N.P.T. is to have any future. The clear lack of progress on the provisions of Article 6 is going to be one of the crucial issues. The nuclear armed signatories of the treaty do not want to see it collapse and so this is a good time for the peace movement to put pressure on the major powers to make some progress on disarmament, e.g.: The Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. The collapse of the Treaty would be the start of a rapid phase of proliferation. This would complicate any subsequent arms control or disarmament agreements, as well as being another destabilising factor at a time when the super power relationship is at a low ebb.

These and other related issues will be discussed at the meeting.

NICK ARMSTRONG

~● Benefit Gig & Social Evening ●~

Friday April 26th.

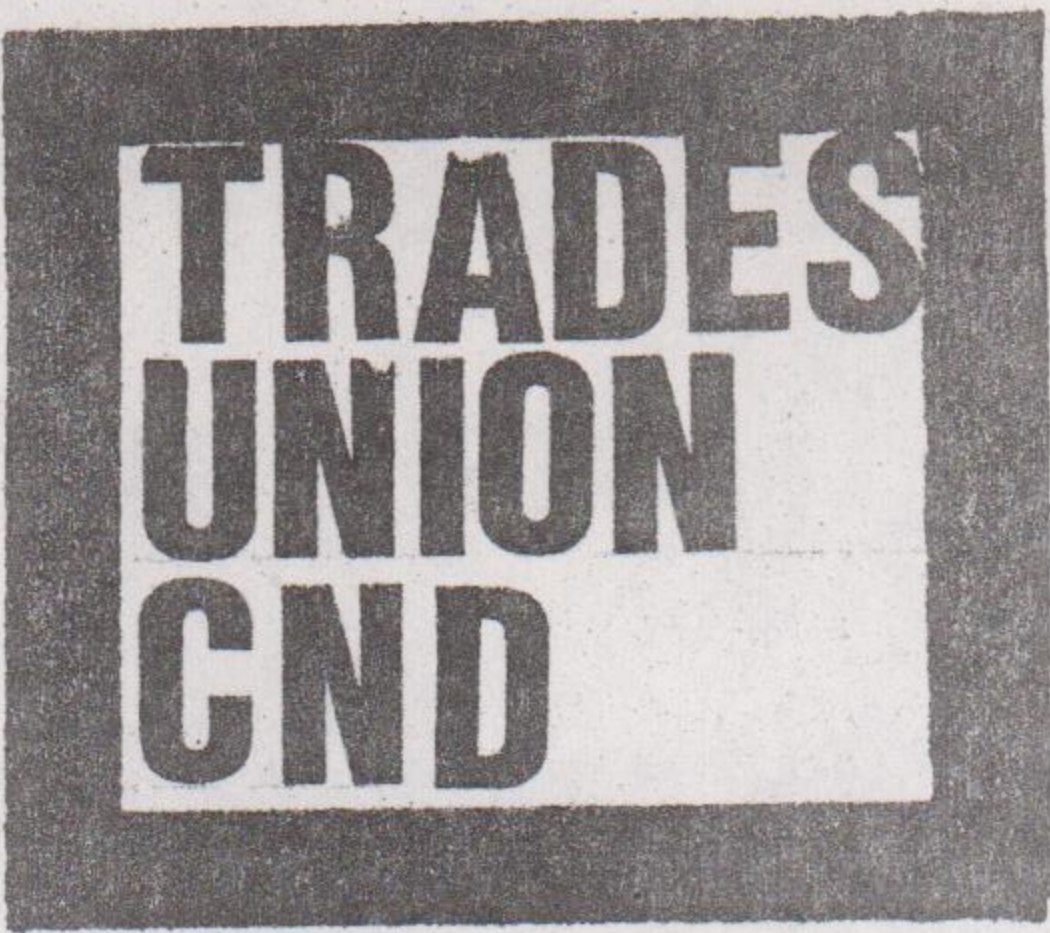
for **NOTTM. Molesworth Defence Campaign**

at **The NARROWBOAT, Canal St.**

with **Disco & Live Band 'The Media'**

7.30 onwards - Band at 9pm

~●~ **£1.25 waged 75p unw.** ~●~



At its AGM in February, TUCND adopted a number of campaigning priorities. These included:
Arms Conversion: A number of activities are planned around the issue of arms conversion including extensive work amongst defence workers and the preparation of concrete conversion plans.

Civil Defence: Involving Trade Unionists in the development of strategy opposing the governments plans and continuing to work closely with various national trade unions whose members are directly affected by the governments civil defence plans.

Affiliations: Assisting trade unions to develop their policies and campaigns, the development of more workplace groups and ensuring a public TUCND presence at most union conferences in 1985.

Jobs with Peace: Developing a series of campaigns designed to show the links between the government's nuclear policies and the impact on particular industries and services, targeting public transport, local government, construction and the NHS.

Media Workers: Working closely with the various media workers unions affiliated to CND and with the Campaign for Press and Broadcasting Freedom to help develop media pressure for better, unbiased coverage of the nuclear disarmament movement.

CND Groups: Continuing to provide assistance to those CND Groups who wish to involve trade unionists in their campaigns. Preparation of a Starter Pack for CND Groups, explaining how to involve trade unions in their activities.

Regional Development: Aiming to establish new Regional TUCNDs in the East Midlands, Wales and Southern Region.

The last point follows the considerable success over the previous year of the 7 Regions already operating.

It was also of particular interest to us, following hard on the heels of the recent visit to the East Midlands of Andrew Hewitt, national secretary of TUCND. Andrew spent a very profitable week travelling all over the East Midlands having discussions with a range of Trade Union officials and activists, including a number in Nottingham. He also spoke to several CND Groups, including NCND and Nottingham NALGO Peace Group.

One of the outcomes of all this is an effort to set up an East Midlands Region of TUCND. This will be launched at a Day Conference in the summer. Letters have already gone out to a number of trade union and CND groups in the Region, inviting them to a planning meeting on 26th March. Anyone who is interested in helping or who can promote the venture in their union in any way, please contact me (606776) or Gail Squires (816094).

Bronwen Westacott.

PHOTOS WANTED

The Rainbow Centre plan a series of postcards based on BLACK & WHITE photographs of peace activities and people. If you have anything that you think might be suitable, please send a copy to 45 Teversal Avenue, Lenton, Nottingham (tel. 472802).

MISSING SLIDES

Does anyone know the whereabouts of the three black books containing photographic slides which are part of the library in NCND office? We need them back urgently.



Coming Soon! **"SPRING SOCIAL"**

CARLTON and GEDLING C.N.D's

- *"FIST FULL OF LENTILS
- *FOLK SINGERS*VEGETARIAN FOOD
- *LICENCED BAR-----TO BE HELD AT

8.00-11.00
SAT 4th MAY.

CARLTON CATHOLIC CLUB
Carlton Hill, Carlton, Nottm.

TICKETS £1.

Contact; 611081 or 85 First Ave. Carlton.

HIROSHIMA - NAGASAKI MEMORIAL BOOK

The World Friendship Centre in Hiroshima has written thanking us for the Memorial Book honouring those who died in Hiroshima and Nagasaki in which we collected over 500 signatures last August. They will use some of the comments - without giving names - in their next newsletter.

Nottingham Defend Molesworth Campaign

There can be no doubt that Nottingham's campaign is leading the way for the rest of the country at the moment. Large numbers of protesters have been to Molesworth on each of Nottingham's Rota Days and as the campaign builds, as it undoubtedly will, still larger numbers must be the aim. To achieve this, an increase in the efficiency and size of the organising and support is essential. At the moment, a relatively small number of people are carrying the burden of this work and may soon be burnt out. Nottingham is building a useful reputation for successful Direct Action, but it could well become a reputation that is difficult to live up to, unless new people get involved in the campaign.

So far, the majority of those involved in the organising of the campaign have been more interested in the NVDA side of things, but protest at Molesworth is not just a matter of climbing over barbed wire fences. However, as long as the people organising the campaign are inclined towards NVDA it will remain so. It is up to those people, known ambiguously as the non-NVDA people, to organise themselves, do what THEY want to do and not what people with only a limited interest in "non-NVDA" direct them to do.

There is a lot too that people can do without even leaving Nottingham (telephone sitting in the office, running a creche, fundraising etc). The Nottingham Defend Molesworth Campaign needs all the help it can get.

The Defend Molesworth Group meets every Sunday in the NCND office at 7.30pm.

GEOFF YOUNG

SUNDAYS AT MOLESWORTH - TO BE OR NOT TO BE?

Because of The Easter Demo, no transport to Molesworth was arranged for Sunday 17 March, nor will there be any on Sun 14 April. Whether or not Sunday transport will continue in the future, depends on help and ideas from protesters who do not want to participate in NVDA.

MOLESWORTH

The next Nottingham day of action at Molesworth will be on Wednesday April 10th. Coach leaves Salutation Inn on Maid Marion Way at 8.30am
BOOK TICKETS NOW PLEASE.
(£2.00 unwaged/£4.00 waged).

WEDNESDAY MAY 29TH

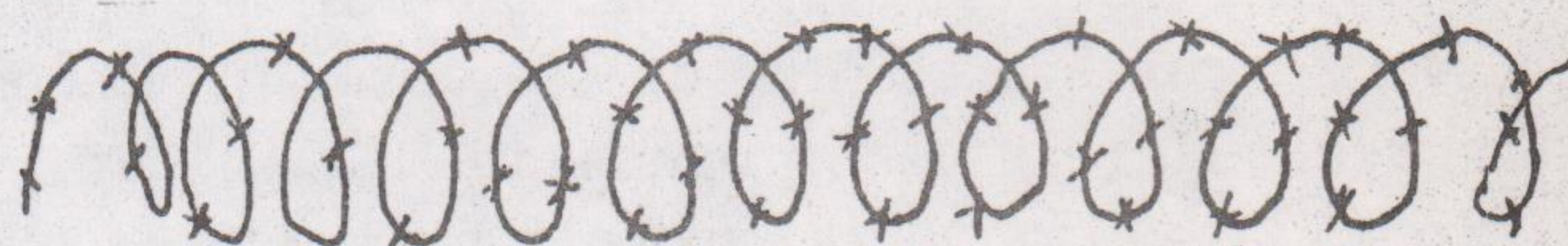
Joint-regional day of action for East and South Midlands CND groups. March from USAF Alconbury to USAF Molesworth for a GATE-PARTY at the main contractor's gate at Molesworth. Please come along and support this demonstration. If you can only come on one Wednesday for the regional pledge scheme this year.... PLEASE COME ON THIS DAY. Details to be published in May Bulletin.

CAR PARKING - contact the office for details. All parking will be some way from the base. Be prepared to walk. PLEASE keep to the roads and paths. DONT take short cuts across farmland.

MOLESWORTH CONTRACTORS BANNED

A letter of support has also been sent to Peterborough City Council who have removed from their list of contractors any companies involved in work at Molesworth.

MOLESWORTH For Life



THE MILITARY HAVE DESTROYED FOUR ACRES OF WINTER WHEAT & SIXTY ACRES UNDER PREPARATION FOR SPRING PLANTING ON THE BASE AT EASTER...DON'T LET THE BARBED WIRE STOP US FROM HELPING PEOPLE WHO ARE STARVING & FROM MAKING REAL OUR BELIEF THAT THIS LAND SHOULD BE USED FOR LIFE NOT DEATH.

LORRIES WILL BE WAITING AT MOLESWORTH ON

EASTER MONDAY April 8th

TO SEND YOUR WHEAT & OTHER DONATIONS

TO WHERE IT IS NEEDED, NOW MORE THAN EVER.

GLASTONBURY '84

Linda Bowring writes about her visit to last year's festival...

At Worthy Farm, near Glastonbury, 35,000 people gathered in June this year for the 8th. CND Peace Festival. For three days, man, woman and child left the outside world of Sainsbury's, Dallas, nine-to-five monotony and did whatever they felt comfortable doing! That could be anything from listening to music (Fairport Convention, Weather Report, Ian Dury, Elvis Costello, Joan Baez, Black Uhuru, The Smiths, Amazulu and many more), watching street theatre, joining a do-it-yourself circus, sunbathing "au naturelle", sampling delicious home made food from the multitude of speciality eating places (Japanese, Mexican, West Indian, Italian and, if you really MUST, even an American Beefburger !) or maybe just passing the time discussing politics, war/peace, ecology etc. Knowing whoever you spoke to was NOT going to mutter WHAT ABOUT THE RUSSIANS ?!

The highlight of the weekend for me was sitting in the sun on Friday afternoon, listening to Joan Baez, a tiny figure hardly visible on the giant stage with just a guitar to accompany her still vibrant, beautiful voice. In between her songs, she made it clear her protest did not die with the Sixties. Every struggle for freedom in every oppressed country of the world has become her struggle and her opposition to injustice, inequality, inhumanity and militarism finds form in many powerful new compositions to join the extensive repertoire of classics that brought her fame two decades ago.

The enormous Childrens' World catered for children of all ages. Activities included giant inflatables, miniature railways, a playbus for under fives, as much paint and glitter as any budding exhibitionist could find room for, making music in impromptu jamming sessions, watching jugglers, clowns on stilts and making huge sculptures out of discarded cardboard rolls. There were also large areas for Greenpeace, a women's tent, many small theatres, cinemas and a laser show to accompany the groups playing at night.

So, if you fancy getting away from it all this year, get down to Glastobury and RELAX. Just remember that this weekend is CND's biggest single money-raiser (so you won't feel guilty about having such a good time!)

....and '85

GLASTONBURY CND FESTIVAL

21, 22, 23 JUNE 1985
WORTHY FARM, PILTON,
SHEPTON MALLETT,
SOMERSET.

Weekend Tickets £16 from "CND FESTIVAL", 11 Goodwin Street, London, N.4 3HQ. Cheques and P.O.s payable to "Glastonbury Festivals Ltd." Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Camping, car-parking, VAT and all on-site events are included in the ticket price. Accompanied children (under 14) admitted free.

Due to the likely increase in demand for tickets and the limitation of numbers permitted on the site, you are advised to book well in advance.

BEYOND THE BLOCS - TAKING PEACE TO MOSCOW.

Coinciding with the United Nations International Youth Year, the Soviet Union is hosting the 12th. World Youth and Student Festival in Moscow in July of this year. Over 20,000 young people from all over the world are expected to attend the 6 day event.

Although it is, in a large part, a propaganda exercise by the Soviet Union, it does provide young people from the West with a fairly unique opportunity to visit the Soviet Union and meet with people we normally have no contact with.

To take advantage of this chance for personal dialogue and whatever it can contribute to breaking down the barriers between our countries, the British Peace Movement (YCND, END, Quakers) are helping to co-ordinate a delegation to attend the Festival.

If YOU are interested in going (and are under 28, the Soviet definition of "young"), get in touch with the Nottingham CND office for more details. If you can't go yourself, but would like to help other people to go, please give us a donation, or help us to fundraise; we'll need around £250 per person to cover everything. Money and offers of help to the CND office!

Viv Kendon

Molesworth by Night

Last night, three of us went to Molesworth by car: not to take part in any specific action, but simply to observe, talk to people and register by our presence our opposition to the proposed cruise missile base. It was something I would recommend as an alternative to the 'day-trip' approach, interest in which is bound to wane after the first few times.

Go Friday or Saturday night if you are working so that you can sleep part of the next day. Respect the peace and quiet of local residents and make it clear to the police that you are doing this (there is already enough hostility to the 'CND Mob'). Park away from any houses so as not to disturb with car doors. Make sure the vehicle is legal, that the driver has all necessary documents and parks off the road. Pre-empt any excuse for police intimidation. Tell people where you come from; it brings home the breadth of the opposition. GO FULLY EQUIPPED: Boots, warm clothing, torch, snacks, flask of hot drink. Call at the information point (if operating) at the Old School House, Clopton (before 11.00pm) to find out if any other groups are around so you can make your plans for the evening accordingly. Take with you any photos, press cuttings etc, to display at the Old School Hall where others can see them.

There may be jobs you can help with; domestic or campaign work. If there are any musicians around, you may get invited to spend half an hour learning some country dances (as we did with varying degrees of success). Please remember, it is Tim and Bridie's home so respect their need to sleep (above the 'common room' area) and leave things cleaner and tidier than when you arrived.

All this sets you off with a somewhat more positive feeling about being there. From here you can walk down the lane and on via the bridle way to Molesworth village, inevitably drawing the attentions of the police and military as you go. If you have brought any donations of food or wood for the Peace Camp, leave it under the covered entrance to the first caravan (if they are still there!). Walking to the other side of the base is a 3 hours round trip. Alternatively, if you know your way around the place you can walk along the track across the fields to Cockbrook Lane (the main entrance used for the contractors). Avoid damaging any crops, since local farmers ARE sympathetic and have given donations to the 'Wheat to Eritrea Appeal'. A pair of garden secateurs can be usefully used to neatly trim back the hedges on the base side to

allow others to follow the fence without trampling crops.

When you have tired of walking, you can drive back around to Peace Corner. You will have to park some distance away, completely off the road unless you want to risk a charge of obstructing the highway. Ask if you can to do down the Bridle way across the base. If you are stopped ask why! You may like to light a candle or prop up a placard in front of the wire surrounding the chapel. Plant lovers can plant something in the Peace Garden. Make a silent vigil; what appears to be a lump covered in polythene may be someone sleeping!

When you get back, talk to others about what you saw and felt, write to your local paper, offer to speak to your local peace/church/trade union group etc.

Andy D'Agorne

(MI5 please note correct spelling of this!)

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...MAKE YOUR PROTEST!!



Welfare not Warfare

Did you know that Chilwell isn't the only US base in Nottinghamshire? In fact, there are two, and the other one is just outside Radcliffe-on-Trent on the A52 and goes by the name of RAF Newton. Newton is a co-located base, which means that it is nominally British, but in times of tension or war, comes under American Military control. It's specific role is a 500 bed contingency hospital for the USAF. The Americans have over forty 500 - or 1,000-bed hospitals in Europe, and 15 of them are here in Britain. Newton is due to become fully converted into a contingency hospital by 1986. Nottingham Peace Action Network (PAN) is organising a demonstration at Newton on Sunday June 30th. The theme of the protest will be WELFARE NOT WARFARE, and it will take the form of a Trespass.

It is obscene that our Government should be cutting back spending on the NHS to such an extent that prescription charges have to go up by 1,000% since '79; that the Heart Unit at St. Guy's Hospital should actually run out of money to pay for life-saving operations; and that kidney patients should be taken off dialysis machines to face certain death. All this, at a time when Defence Spending has gone up by 25% since 1979; when 11.5 billion pounds is to be spent on Trident and 12.5 Billion on Tornado; and when the cost of one nuclear submarine is equivalent to the building of 500 general hospitals.

The final vicious twist of cruelty is that the Americans are allowed to build 15 fully-equipped hospitals that will never be used, apart from during a nuclear war. Even then, they would be of no use whatsoever, since as we all know full well, there would be no survivors after a nuclear exchange.

So, please join the Trespass at Newton on June 30th. Put it down in your diary, re-activate your local affinity groups, ask PAN to set up a training day for your neighbourhood group, ask your Labour Party or Trade Union branch to support the demonstration. Full details of the Trespass will be included in the May bulletin.

Pete Strauss

CND/PAN 200 CLUB

The first draw for the CND/PAN 200 Club took place at the monthly meeting on March 3rd. The lucky winners were:-

- 1st Prize £50 - Chris Skeats
- 2nd Prize £10 - Jane Collins
- 3rd Prize £5 - Ruth Mellor.

The next draws will be on April 7th and then May 5th.

IF YOU HAVEN'T JOINED THE 200 CLUB YET, WHY NOT DO SO NOW?

You will have a good chance of winning a prize and, above all, you will be helping CND and PAN raise funds for campaigning. (All proceeds are divided between CND and PAN.)

The 200 Club consists of people who pledge a pound a month. Each person is allocated a number and there are two draws a month, one for the prize of £50 and another for the prizes of £10 and £5.

It would help our administration if you would complete the bankers' order below. However, if you don't have a bank account, a single payment of £12 or twice yearly payment of £6 will do.

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Promoter: Rob Holland, 33 Church Drive,
Carrington, Nottingham.

MEDIA PAGE

LEAFLETS - LEAFLETS - LEAFLETS

One of the first tasks of the Media Group was to consider how we present ourselves and our arguments to the public and with that in mind we did some thinking about leaflets. We decided that we need leaflets for several reasons. We want:

- to broadcast our existence and get people to join.
- to avoid complete dependence on the press, radio and television to present our views.
- to set up our own 'drip-feed' to counter that of the government
- to convey information about issues & point to a positive way out of the nuclear impasse.
- to comment on issues as they unfold as part of a 'rapid-response' campaign.

To this end we decided:

1) to make sure that the NCND office was stocked with the series of 9 National CND Questions and Answers Broadsheets (Civil Defence, Christians, Cruise, Effects of N. War, Hiroshima & Nagasaki, Illegality of N. War, NATO, Non-Nuclear Defence and Trident) all of which are now available at 10p each. We also have National CND's 30 Q&A About CND.

2) to provide ourselves with a new NCND Recruitment leaflet (now designed and about to be printed) for free distribution.

3) to reproduce the leaflet about Nottingham and the effects on it of a Nuclear attack.

4) to produce a series of new leaflets for mass distribution, designed in a common format but focusing on different issues and systematically challenging the government's arguments. The first of these will be about Trident and produced in May. The second might be on Deterrence and the third on the money spent on the Nuclear Arms Race. We need feedback from neighbourhoods to enable us to assess quantities.

WHEN YOU RETURN FROM MOLESWORTH AFTER EASTER, PLEASE REMEMBER TO PHONE THE LOCAL RADIO STATIONS WITH YOUR COMMENTS.

ARMCHAIR ACTIVISTS A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

RADIO - ACTIVITY !

With the help of Jeremy Younger of Radio Nottingham, a Dayschool on using the Radio has been arranged for SATURDAY 15 JUNE 10.30 - 4.00. It will cover phone-ins and how to gain the confidence to use them, interview techniques, ideas for programmes and will give some insight into how radio stations operate. A visit to Radio Nottingham will be part of the programme. Participants will need to register. More details in next months Bulletin.

THREE IMPORTANT TV PROGRAMMES

MONDAY APRIL 15TH 11.00pm

A NUCLEAR FUTURE? - Unstable Elements: Atomic Stories 1939-85

A detailed expose of the British involvement in nuclear weaponry and nuclear power since the Second World War. Inventively combining fiction with documentary, Newsreel Workshop extend the debate of men's lust for power and control.

MONDAY APRIL 22ND 11.00pm

A NUCLEAR FUTURE? - Site One

A revealing documentary about the effect of the American nuclear base in Holy Loch, Strathclyde, on the local community.

MONDAY APRIL 29TH 11.00pm

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ELECTION-

Co-chair (Male)

By the time you read this, I shall no longer be in the job I have held for the last nearly two years: I told the March Co-ordinating Meeting that I was stepping aside at the end of the month to give more time to my lovely new family - to home, allotment, and B.A.N.G. activities we can do together in a way that was impossible with my N.C.N.D. commitments

I would like to say how much satisfaction and pride I have got out of the job and to thank everyone who helped and taught me during that time. Not just the activists, but also the members who pay subs and wear badges, turn up to demos and generally form the real strength of our Campaign.

THE MAIN POINT of writing this is to notify you all that the election of a replacement will take place at the

MAY 12th. MONTHLY MEETING.

So now to talk about that person.

As well as chairing half of the main meetings, you will have to take on a share of Exec. responsibilities, including some of what, in some groups, would be a Secretary's functions. It means being a contact, channelling queries, jobs, offers of help in the right direction as well as doing your "own" work of arranging programmes of meetings and agendas, occasional presswork, writing letters and generally being in touch.

It's not as daunting as it may sound - I started with no previous experience. If you're interested, please call Ann or any of the Exec. to let them know and/or find out more. Then, get a short piece about yourself and why you're standing to the office by May 4th. for duplication and come to the meeting prepared to answer friendly questions from the floor.

As for the rest of us, please turn up to make the election an important one and while you're at it, learn all about who's REALLY in control of the arms race (see last month's issue).

THANK YOU ALL.

Christian

GROMYKO VISIT....

Here is the text of the draft letter circulated to all CND regions and large groups after the March Co-ordinating Meeting.

As you may be aware, the Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Gromyko will be paying a visit to this country for talks with the Government sometime during the Spring or early Summer of this year. Presumably, the Arms Race will be one of the items on any agenda they may decide upon. Nottingham CND have encouraged wide discussion within its membership as to whether or not we should urge British CND to organise a mass demonstration in London when he arrives and what the tone of such an action should be.

The overwhelming feeling is that British CND should make its voice heard by Mr. Gromyko when he arrives and that the message should be a clear and simple reiteration of CND's opposition to ALL nuclear weapons, both East and West.

The political situation in the Soviet Union may have altered slightly since the untimely death of President Chernenko, but that does not mean their attitudes to Nuclear Weapons or to the Western Alliance will change.

CND is a non-party political organisation and should be seen as such and any demonstration we have against Soviet Nuclear Weaponry would reaffirm our constitution. We must have the courage and the conviction to visibly support our beliefs otherwise we will be condemned forever to the role of a back-seat minority pressure group.

Nottingham CND strongly urges your Group to discuss this issue as fully as time allows in the period before the next National Council Meeting, which is on the weekend of March 23/24; and to instruct your representative to follow your group's mandate.

Time is short, however, and we may not get another opportunity to raise this important issue until June - by then it may be too late as Gromyko may have come and gone.

If, as individuals, you feel strongly about this issue, please make your feelings known by writing to Sanity, National CND and National Council members personally.

Yours in Peace

Rob Nicholls, Rob Raynham, pp. Nottingham CND.

NCND.

Letters

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Dear Bulletin,
 CND's enigmatic adoration for the Guardian is well illustrated in March's bulletin. But why this sycophantic admiration? After all, when it gets down to brass tacks, the Guardian supports the same perspective as the Sun, Mail and all other anti-CND voices. Because it uses three syllable words to the Sun's one, doesn't make it an alternative, but merely a substitute. A few articles calculated to bolster its ill deserved radical image, can't alter the fact that, like Readers' Digest it doesn't support unilateralism.

Fortunately, there is a daily newspaper which fully supports CND in reports, features and editorials, offering a real alternative viewpoint. It is called the Morning Star and a regular order will demonstrate why it receives the generous praise of Bruce Kent.

Alan Lundie

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Dear Bulletin,
 It is disgraceful that members of CND should try to discourage other members from expressing their opposition to another country holding vast numbers of nuclear weapons (See Bulletin letters, March).

I recognise that our main aim is the riddance of nuclear weapons from Britian, I do not think that this precludes showing our opposition to such weapons being held by any other country. The U.S.S.R. has enough nuclear weapons to wipe out the West 20 times over. It is objectionable to suggest that this obscenity should be overlooked or understood in some way.

Our declared belief is that nuclear arms are not a deterrent. They are not a deterrent of the U.K. and the U.S.A. and they are not a deterrent for Russia and its allies.

I don't believe that the majority of CND members need reminding of the fundamental reason that we oppose nuclear weapons. However, for the minority...It is because nuclear weapons, held by any country, are instruments of mass murder which, if or when used, will not only kill innocents by the million, but also the hope of humanity.

Patrick Hatton

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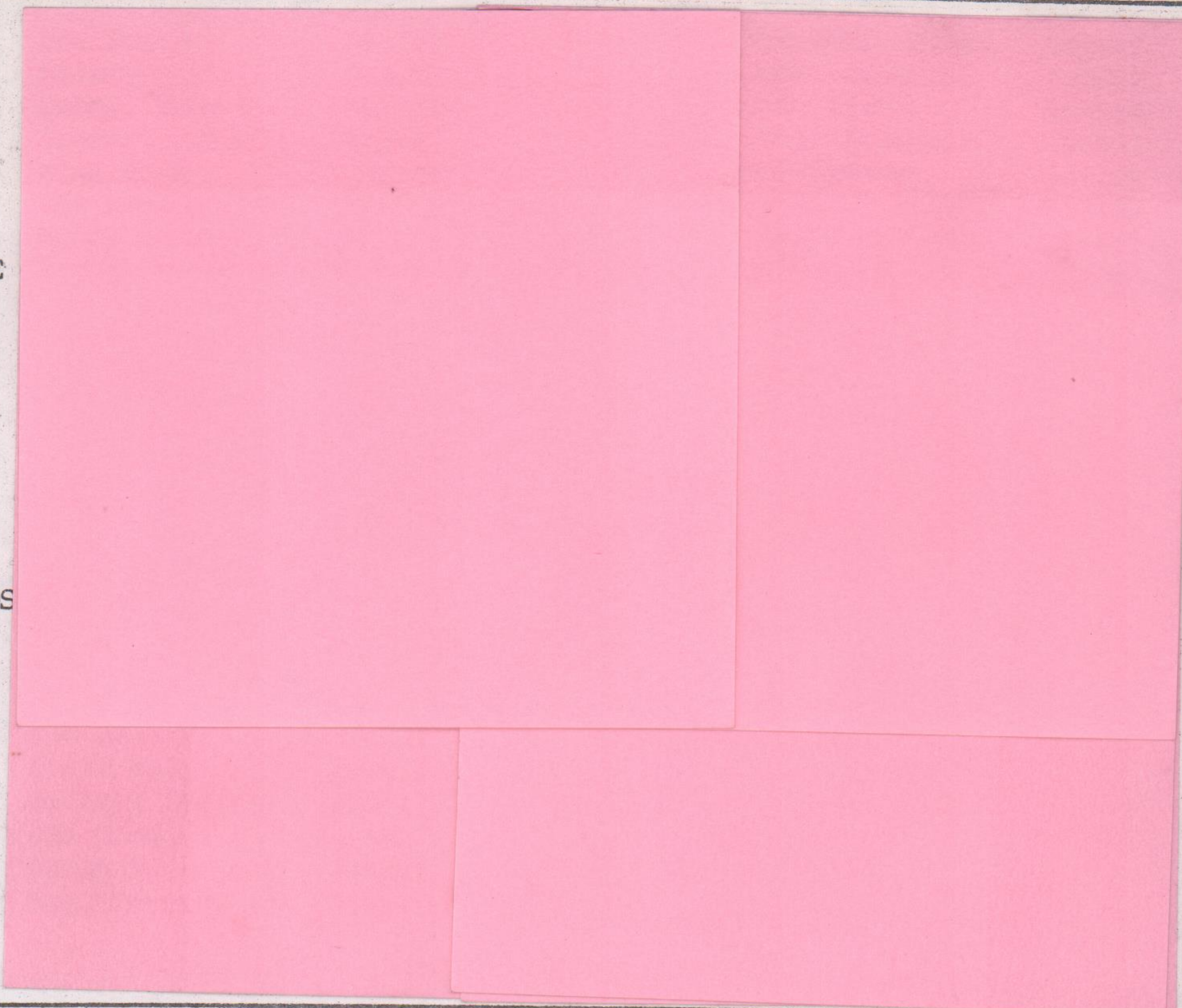
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