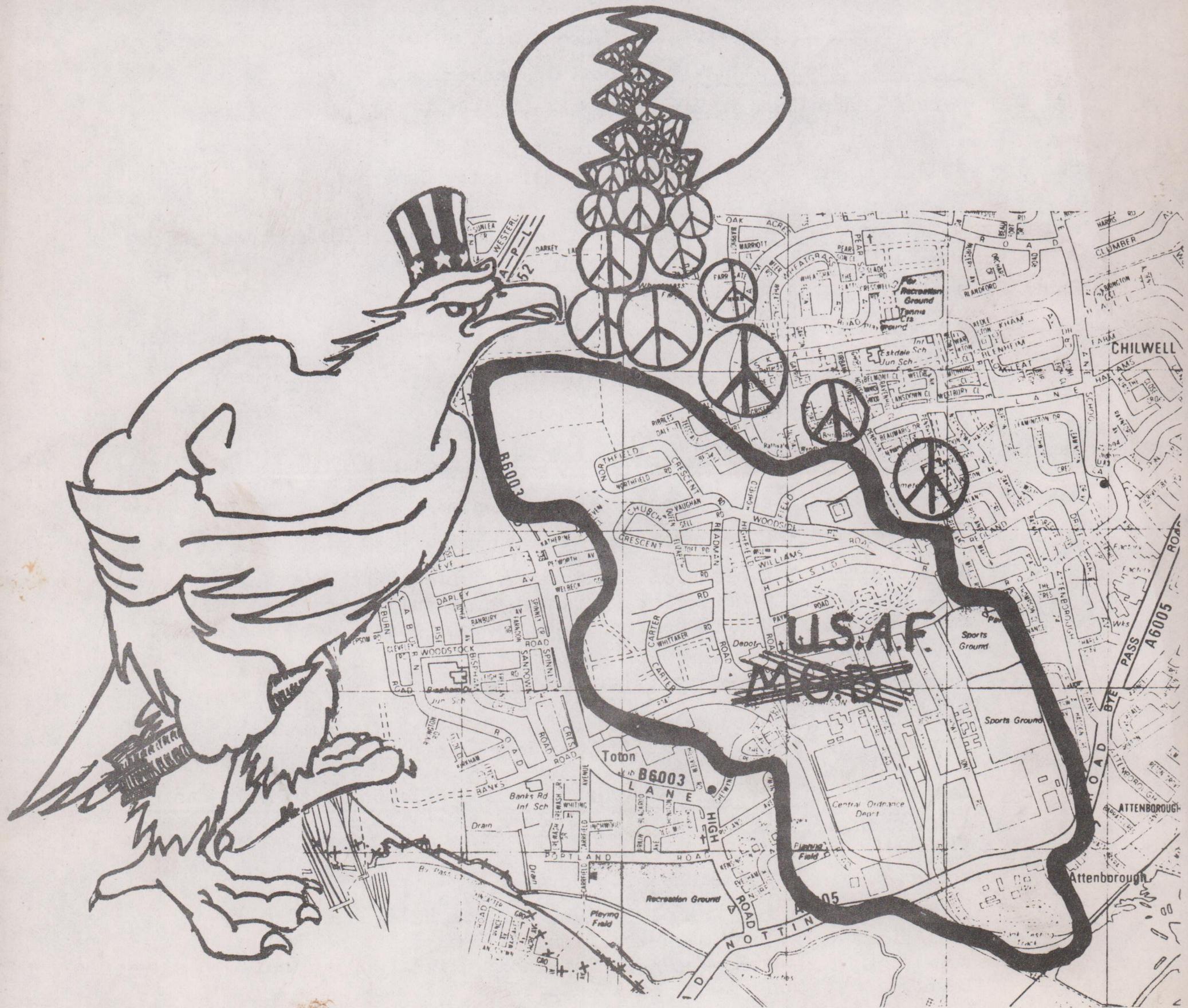


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**DEMONSTRATE AGAINST USAF
BASE NO.103 CHILWELL**

SUN APRIL 15th

W H A T S O N !

- March Sat 31 Notts CND meeting. Queen's Walk Community Centre. 10 a.m. ALL WELCOME.
- April Sun 1 Members' Meeting with U.S.S.R. EMBASSY speaker . 7.30 p.m.
Friends' Meeting House, Clarendon St. Non-members welcome.
- Mon 2 Peace Festival Committee. 15 Goosegate. 7.30.p.m.
- Thurs 5 Co-ordinating Meeting. 7.30 p.m. 15 Goosegate.
- Sat 7 Derbys Peace Groups: Day Conference. Chesterfield. Details from NCND office.
- Sun 8 NVDA Trainers Day. Queen's Walk Community Centre 11 - 5
- Wed 11 Local Campaigns Group first meeting (to co-ordinate information re Chilwell) 15 Goosegate. 7.30 p.m. ALL WELCOME
- Thurs 12 Media Group. 15 Goosegate. 7.30 p.m.
- Sat 14 Russell Peace Foundation: two-day conference "Disarmament: an Independent Foreign Policy?" starts at the University. Speakers include Tony Benn, Michael Meacher, Audrey Wise. Cost £5. Ring BRPF on 708318 for details.
- Sun 15 CHILWELL DEMONSTRATION. Assemble 11.30 a.m. See page 1.
- Mon 16 Festival Committee. 15 Goosegate. 7.30 p.m.
- Tues 17 Bulletin DEADLINE and meeting. 15 Goosegate. 7.30 p.m.
Loughborough: 1st class of "Beginner's Guide to Nuclear War" 7.30 p.m. Trinity Methodist Church, L'bro. Full programme available at NCND office or ring John Christensen East Leake 2333 (day) for details.
- Wed 18 Pensioners for Peace. 15 Goosegate. 2.p.m.
- Sat 21 St Anns Stall at St Ann's Festival, Bluebell Hill Community Centre. 1 -- 5 p.m. Something for everyone.
- Mon 23 Easter Mon. Christian CND coach goes to Mildenhall to join Easter Pilgrimage from Greenham to Lakenheath. Details of times and cost from Barbara Lacey on 60491
- Thurs 26 Media Group. 15 Goosegate. 7.30 p.m.
- Sat 28 FOLK EVENT. Carlton Catholic Club, Carlton Hill. 8 - 11 p.m.
"Fieldwork" and other singers; film: "All against the Bomb"; Vegetarian and other food; licensed bar. Tickets 75 p. from Dave(611081), Ian(874406) or 180 Carlton Hill.
- May Sat 26 CND National Rally and Festival at COVENTRY. "No Nuclear Weapons in Europe".
- June 22 - 24 Glastonbury Peace Festival.
- July Sun 1 RECLAIM CHILWELL
Sun 8 4th NOTTINGHAM PEACE FESTIVAL

CND NATIONAL EASTER ACTION

SUNDAY 15th APRIL

AT USAF BASE N° 103

CHILWELL

HOW TO GET THERE

The traditional way:

Meet at Beeston Recreation Ground (corner of Queens Road and Dovecoat Lane) at 11.30 and process, on foot, waving your banners, carrying placards and singing your songs.

The energetic way:

Get on your bike ! and ride in decorated fashion from Nottingham's Old Market Square at 12.00 noon. Wear penants, tabards, stickers, etc., to let people know who you are!

The quiet way:

Just turn up - you'll be most welcome!

WHAT WE DO THERE

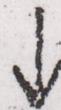
Chant Down Chilwell

As we are expecting lots of families, this is intended as a singing session and bongo banging bit (bring your instruments, vocal chords, etc.)

Decorate the fence

One side of the base runs along the main Derby - Nottingham road, so bring stuff for weaving and winding and attracting people's attention. We're making some long banners with stuff like "take a Cruise to the USA" etc. There's room for kite and balloon flying, so we can "fly for peace" too!

A leaflet in the form of a mock US Visa will be distributed in advance.



Volunteers for this needed!

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NONIMMIGRANT VISA	
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BRING BANNERS.....

BRING PLACARDS.....

CHILWELL 103RD US BASE

USAF Chilwell - Background to Airstrip One Demonstration, 15th. April, 1984.

Nottingham groups have been keeping an eye on Chilwell Ordnance Depot, between Long Eaton and Beeston, for 3 or 4 months, since rumours about its future included the United States Air Force.

Many questions were asked of the M.O.D. and two demonstrations, a squat of one of the base houses and a two week peace camp at Christmas, have provoked a number of confused or misleading replies.

"I was astounded to hear of rumours... about the possible American use of of Chilwell Depot", said Michael Heseltine to Jim Lestor MP on 8.12.83. His Under Secretary, Lord Trefgarne, said, at Nottingham University in December, "Logically, Cruise could be stored at Chilwell."

The M.O.D. then said they "can't imagine he'd have said that." Then, on 22.12.83, "A decision is expected mid-February."

So we waited. On 14th. February, 1984, banner headlines in local papers proclaimed "USAF TO MOVE INTO CHILWELL." It was official; renamed RAF Chilwell, the depot is now the 103rd. US Base in Britain - the first of 64 additional facilities to be offered to the Americans.

The official line is that it will be a store and repair base for "vehicles". There will be "less than ten" US personnel at Chilwell (what about the 300 workers at the Royal Engineers maintenance shop?) The vehicles will be "airfield support" - snowploughs, tractors for pulling planes around, generators etc.

What would you use 78 acres in the centre of England, with a rail link and easy access to the M1 and M6 for?

This is the first time that the USAF has had to set up a base with a local public already partly familiar with the issues and motivated against them. This isn't an airfield in the middle of nowhere, it is in a growing conurbation between two major cities. Housing estates go right up to the fence in many places and the locals have been used to footpath rights across the accomodation area. The base accomodation is being upgraded for USAF personnel, while there is shortage of housing in the borough of Broxtowe.

On Sunday, 15th. April, we have the opportunity to dominate both local and national media. Our supporters will be free to come along and participate in our refusal to allow Chilwell to be the 103rd. US base on Airstrip One.

EMERGENCY

The next time Cruise missile launchers
leave Greenham.....

There will be a MASS DEMONSTRATION
in the Market Square.
at the following 5pm.

The missile launcher expedition from Greenham on March 9 was on a small scale in comparison with future probable exercises, when we can expect several launchers to be taken out for a longer period.

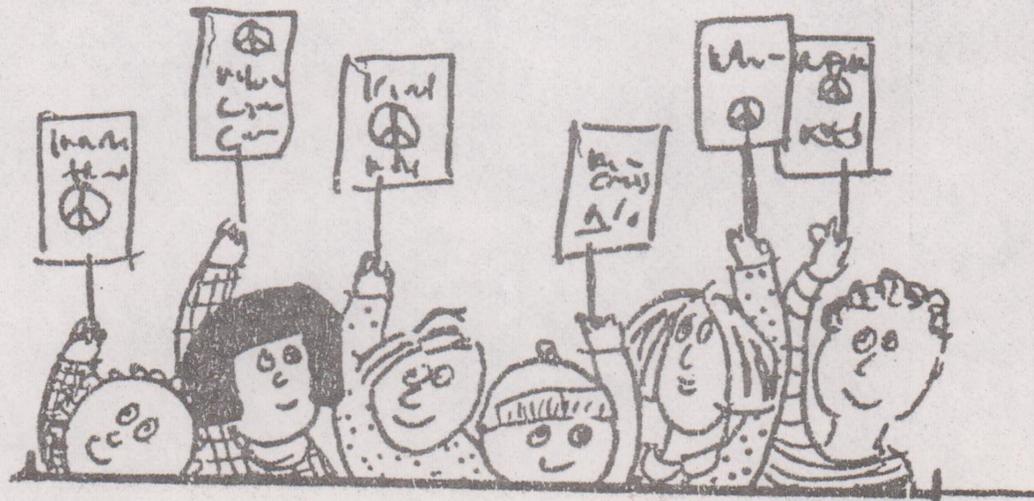
Our telephone trees and advance preparations worked well on March 9. Over 200 people responded at a few hours' notice. Slab Square was ringed by a moving column of protesters carrying placards and banners, and rush-hour traffic saw us progress to the Services Careers Office in Milton St to await the the emergence of the Forest Fields P.G. sitters-in. (see page)

It is vital that CND stage an even bigger protest the NEXT time the launchers come out. We should regard the threatened eviction of the Greenham women on April 2nd as an alert signal and be ready.

NOW is the time to make your placard and have it ready to bring with you.

Action will follow a different pattern from that on March 9

||| We need everyone who came on March 9
AND MANY MORE BESIDES



REMEMBER - OLD MARKET SQUARE - 5 p.m. - AFTER THE LAUNCHERS NEXT GO OUT

ARMY CAREERS OFFICE OCCUPATION

When the cruise launcher was taken on its first outing on March 9, NCND's main protest action was the emergency demo in the Market Square, to which over 200 people came at short notice.

Meanwhile, seventeen people aged from four upwards held a hastily-organised token occupation of the army recruiting office.

We walked in peacefully through the front door, sat ourselves down and began weaving woollen webs and blowing up balloons.

Support people put posters on the windows, and did a lot of leafleting of passers-by. Two more people stood on a parapet above the door and used a megaphone to give out messages about the occupation and about nuclear war.

It felt great when the marchers from the Square arrived - so many of them, so many banners, so many friendly faces. They sang outside and we sang inside, and then some of us started dancing chains to the singing.

We'd planned to leave at half past six. The police had apparently been seeking assurances that when the door was opened, other demonstrators wouldn't rush in.

Eventually we came out - at 6.30 as planned. The crowd outside started cheering and clapping. That felt a bit odd - we didn't feel like heroes. All we'd done was sit in a warm room for two hours, but we were pleased to have been able to make a visible protest against cruise missiles.

You can't kill the spirit ...



Photo Mark Salmon

See you again next time

announcements

**COUNCELLOR
OF THE
USSR EMBASSY**

Mr Nicolay Poseliagin

Mr Poseliagin is coming in response to our invitation to both the Soviet and U.S. embassies to send speakers to a members Sunday meeting. The U.S. Embassy has refused our invitation.

Non-Members are welcome to this meeting.

**SUNDAY 1st APRIL 7.30pm
FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE
Clarendon Street**

PEACE CANVASS

"Campaign" readers will know that National CND has issued the guidelines for a new peace canvass. We are in process of drawing up a new questionnaire which will contain at least one question about Chilwell.

The prime object of the canvass - any suggestions for a better name? - will be to get into conversation with people in the streets and on the doorstep. The information collected will be a useful spin-off for use with the media, M.P.s, etc., and not an end in itself.

Details next month in time for a **SUMMER CAMPAIGN**.

FILM: AMERICA - FROM HITLER TO MX.

A documentary about the escalation of nuclear stock piling in the U.S and its first strike and limited war politics.

The film is being hired by Notts CND for the week commencing APRIL 30th.

Cost depending on number using it, about £25.

APPLY TO: Andy Miller, 4 Bodmin Court, Mansfield.

Tel: 91 653318.

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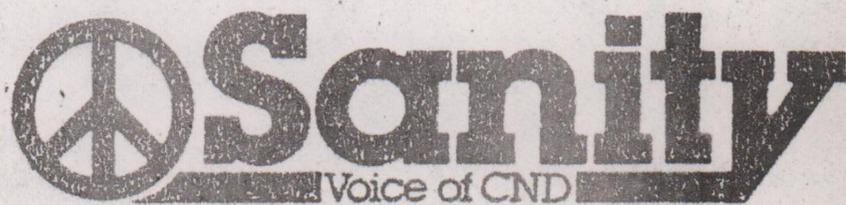
MOLESWORTH PEACE CAMP

National Easter Action

Sat. 14 Apl

Highway demonstration with family groups at intervals along A 604 between Molesworth and Kettering with banners describing the effects on motorists of a nuclear explosion over Molesworth.

For further details ring Clopton 257

 **Sanity**
Voice of CND

See back cover for important new offer.

ANTI TRIDENT CAMPAIGN

At the end of the Anti-Trident Convention (held in the middle of February in Manchester) the several hundred delegates from all parts of Britain agreed to set up a broad-based Anti-Trident campaign. The purpose of the convention appeared to be two-fold; one to show the wide range of support for the anti-Trident movement and the other to equip those attending with the necessary information and ideas so that they could return to their own areas and start the campaign against Trident.

For the first 1½ hours we sat and listened to an impressive range of speakers - from TACT (Tories against Cruise and Trident), SNP, Labour party, Scottish YCND, the Churches, Unions, Scientists against Nuclear Arms, etc.....Although this achieved its point of showing the strength of the opposition to Trident much of the same ground was covered by the different speakers. The rest of the day was spent in 2 workshops. The 2 I chose to go to were on the international aspects and on street campaigning.

The first "workshop" (with 100+ people) was led by 2 scientists, one an American who works in Britain but has close links still with the U.S. He talked about the atmosphere in the White House and how it has changed from the Nixon/Carter/Ford era when nuclear war was not mentioned to today when Reagan holds weekly discussions to plan such details as the training needed by morticians in handling radio-active bodies. The current belief in the White House is that the Americans can fight and win a nuclear war without much damage to the U.S. It was this change in attitude towards nuclear war that led to the Chief Security Advisor at the White House resigning in the middle of last year. The scientists gave a potted history of Britain's earlier attempts at nuclear weapons and their failure and how we came to get "locked into" American technology in the early 1960's and have remained so ever since. They detailed the history of America's first strike strategy which was devised for conventional warfare and has been adapted for nuclear warfare. The amount of money which is spent on warfare in the U.S. is staggering - 75% of the federal governments budget is for defence: over 50,000 firms depend on government "defence" contracts. Having set the scene they then went on to give the details of the

Trident submarine system, how it works, what it can do and so on. Rather than go into technical details here the media group will produce a page on Trident for the next Bulletin.

The second workshop was more like a workshop in that the people there were sharing ideas on how they had tried to take their campaign onto the streets. I talked about the die-ins on Hiroshima Day and the chalking around the "bodies" and about the wall of white wreaths before Armistice day. I heard about street ballots - mocking up a polling booth in the street and inviting people to vote on an issue - either Cruise or Trident - then having the count later that day and sending the results to the local M.P., etc. This seems to have been very successful, both in the results they obtained and the number of new members! Another idea was "write for survival" - have 3 or 4 different letters on a table, all addressed to the Minister for Defence, and invite people to choose which one they want to send off, provide envelopes and stamps, and invite them back when they have had a reply, again this had been used successfully by a number of groups. Both these ideas avoid the problems of petitions; they mean that people get more involved and they offer plenty of opportunity to begin a dialogue with "members of the public" - they are also newsworthy!

We also discussed more general ideas - such as the photoswap - swapping pictures of families/people in the East and West in an attempt to break down the concept of "the enemy." Inevitably we also talked about what to do when "Cruise comes out."

And so, with my head reeling with facts and ideas, I came home to find someone had arranged an interview with Radio Trent at 8 o'clock on Sunday morning!

I have some notes on the conference which people can have copies of if they want - or you can ring me if you have any queries (Nottm. 472802). I feel that NCND should join the Anti-Trident campaign and start to do something in our area - maybe linking it into the Euro-elections? So start thinking about what we can do.

Val Harris

WHEN THE LAUNCHERS LEAVE GREENHAM

CRUISE OUTING

The 'training exercise' in the early hours of Friday March 9th when a cruise transporter and a few support vehicles left Greenham Common for nearly four hours had two purposes as I see it - neither related to the testing of equipment (no missiles were on the transporter!)

1. To assess the likely reactions of the peace movement, the effectiveness of our mobilising for protest and their methods of preventing disruption.
2. To defuse the emotiveness of dispersal and make the peace movement feel that it has lost the 'whip hand' in controlling the movement of Cruise. They want to be able to say Cruise would work in spite of protest.

What does this mean for CND?

1. We must point out that our readiness forced them to carry out the exercise in the middle of the night, leaving the base for only four hours with less than the full complement of support vehicles. They have not proved that they can move more than 30-40 miles from Greenham Common.
2. We must carefully examine what happened - where are the weak links in our response, what can we do to improve communications, etc. - The security services will be doing this - so must we.
3. We must make it clear to everyone the danger of such excursions precipitating nuclear war and our determination to make them militarily useless by blocking 'essential service routes.'

Are you ready for the first real dispersal exercise?

Andy D.



Although it should never be our major objective to stop the Cruise convoys (which is after all a struggle that we take on on the government's terms) the denial to the government of Cruise as a credible deterrent would be a considerable achievement.

The demonstrations in Nottingham on the 9th March showed how effective local response can be, all the same a national (and international) victory for the peace movement in stopping/slowing/locating the convoys themselves would be nice, and if next time they are out for longer, feasible. Already 3 mobile affinity groups have been set up in Nottingham.

The idea is that at short notice they would travel down to the Greenham area and join the other groups from all over the country in blockading the particular route that the convoys were using - or whatever actions seemed appropriate.

For further information, please contact:-

LETTERS

Dear NCND Bulletin,

Popular Films on Disarmament

What film on nuclear disarmament is most likely to pull in a crowd? In Wollaton we've shown the War Game and also The Bomb by Jonathan Dimbleby. We're now planning an Autumn Public Meeting and want to know what other groups' experience is of successful film shows. Please ring either:-

Dear Bulletin,

In the office the other night, I happened to open a booklet produced, I think, by the B.M.A. It described the effects of a nuclear bomb on its victims, with some very harrowing photos.

It seemed inconceivable that all the bustle and cheerful atmosphere of the office were in any way connected with these images: of course, CND is about hope, and all the fun and noise and brightness of a demo is essential. But I wonder if we might use the 'reality' aspect to stir more thinking about the actual human consequences and less concern over 'lefty' CNDers. Could we, perhaps, try a campaign on the lines of anti-vivisectionist publicity - using visual images - admittedly to shock, because nuclear war is shocking.

I have considered the possibility that this would be exploiting the misery and suffering of these victims, even prostituting their plight. I would be interested to read the opinions of others.

Yours peacefully,

Fran Taggard

Dear Friends,

ASSERTIVENESS IN CAMPAIGNING

3rd May, 8.00 pm. - CND office

A small group of us are interested in training ourselves in assertiveness to improve our effectiveness in campaigning and demonstrating: we think others may be interested in joining us, to share their experiences and expertise, or simply to swell the throng.

Assertiveness is defined as being a middle course between aggression, hostility, etc., at one end of the scale with passivity, submission, etc., at the other end. After practising assertiveness people become more persistent and confident in getting their needs met, but not at anyone else's expense. The assertive way is to recognise the needs of everyone in a situation and work for outcomes which we can all agree to accept. The only thing which is never compromised is the asserter's personal worth.

Other benefits are feeling more comfortable in arguments; deflecting or dealing with criticism without feeling hurt or critical in return; say NO and YES, when you want to without feeling guilty.

If you are thinking of joining us, or want more information (some leaflets available) ring me (p.m. or w/ends) on 286213 - if the group gets too big for the office, we could try for somewhere else.

Yours in Love, Peace and Strength,

Martin Harvey.

RAINBOW CENTRE

Meeting.

THE CENTRE STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP

LETTERS

Dear Friends,

We wish to protest about the extremist nature of the article on Womens Action at the "Stop the City" Rally published in the March Bulletin.

As the Bulletin goes on sale to the general public we feel that this could be used as propoganda against the whole of CND.

Women Members of the
Bestwood and district CND.

Dear Bulletin,

With regard to the 'Women's Action' paragraph of p.6 of the March Bulletin, it seems to me that the action (dumping of 'symbols of oppression' on the steps of the Bank of England) is a puerile and useless idea as far as the advancement of the worthy cause of women's emancipation is concerned. It has little to do with anti-war or CND movements, and it is doubtful whether the symbolism will be understood. It will just be a dumping of mucky litter, which action we should deplore. It will be cleared away, not by a contrite governor of the Bank of England, but by oppressed victims of capitalism, including, possibly, cleaning ladies.

Yours,

Win Douglas.

NOTTINGHAM NUCLEAR FREEZE COUNCIL

The FREEZE would be an agreement by all nuclear weapons states to call an immediate halt to the testing, production and deployment of further nuclear weapons.

We, the undersigned, call on the British Government to support a Nuclear Weapons Freeze and as a first step to cancel the Trident Submarine Programme.

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address

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The above is the form of a petition that Nottingham Freeze Council is launching.

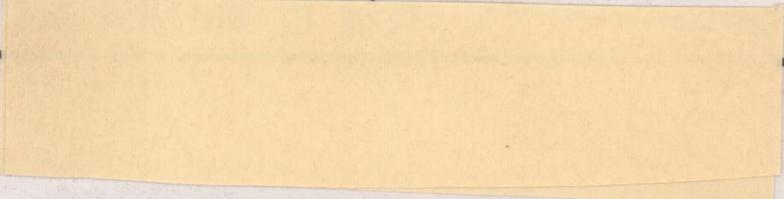
It is intended for local use as a means of getting into communication with the public. Last autumn some NCND neighbourhood groups made effective use of the WDC "freeze" petition. We felt a successor might be useful, particularly in out-lying areas.

We are seeking to increase the number of organisations in the Peace Council and are currently approaching churches, trade unions and other bodies.

Some petition forms are available at NCND office. For further supplies and info on "Freeze" ring

The "Freeze" advert in the 'Trader' last November resulted in over 100 people returning the tear-off slip and in donations amounting to over £200. This financed a further advert in The Long Eaton and Beeston 'Trader' in February. We are now planning further press adverts.

One of our constituent organisations is producing an exhibition for use in libraries and at outdoor events such as market stalls and fetes - and peace festivals.



CAVALCADE

FEB 18TH

Following the Ministry of Defence statement on February 14th that in the next few weeks the U.S. Air Force would be moving into Chilwell Depot to store "Transport Parts" the Cavalcade of Life and Death and associated demonstrations could not have been more appropriately timed. The emphasis of the action was communication using the cavalcade to attract public attention, and then by talking to people to try to make them more aware about nuclear weapons and the USAF in Britain. A special, and highly topical, leaflet had been prepared which included a letter of protest for individuals to send to their M.P.'s.

About 60-70 people, some dressed in funeral garb, met in Beeston Square creating an eye-catching display of banners. As the Cavalcade passed some followed behind with their placards and doves of peace, talking to people and distributing leaflets. A chalk-in in the square was very effective with many passers-by stopping to sign the pavement petition. The reaction to our protest was very positive, large numbers of people expressed a real concern about what the US Air Force were really going to be doing at Chilwell, and how little control we have over nuclear weapons.

There was a good turn-out of members in Long Eaton leafleting and talking to shoppers. Although the array of banners upset those manning the Sea Cadets stall, the public response was very encouraging and many people were prepared to stop and talk to the protesters. All 2,500 leaflets were distributed during the demonstration local feeling is running high.

A slightly smaller turnout at Stapleford felt that the afternoons effort had been very worthwhile, with the cavalcade providing a focus to attract people's interest and the leaflets a starting point for discussion.

The cavalcade made an impressive progress around the Market Square where members were leafletting and talking to the passers-by about Cruise and the protests concerning Chilwell Depot.

The 'Life & Death' Cavalcade was very effective, especially the Hearse followed by the mock-up Cruise missile. We've learnt for future spectacular events that we need more noise and colour, and if possible to go round each route twice.

THANK YOU to all those people who turned out on a bitterly cold day and made such a great effort in going and talking to total strangers. Local media and press coverage has been extensive and very favourable - though it might have been greater if a larger number of NCND members had joined the protest.

See you ALL at the next one!

Pensioners for Peace

A meeting was held on Wednesday, 15th February when it was decided to assist in printing of the Bulletin, which duly took place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, February 21st - 23rd.

A further meeting was held on Wednesday March 14th when it was agreed to continue with the printing of the Bulletin.

A request to provide a speaker for Beeston Women against Cruise was accepted and Harry Loach volunteered.

In view of the fact Pensioners are available during the day, any group meeting during the day we could provide speakers as and when required.

Approaches to be made to Senior Citizens organisations in the city to accept speakers.

Next meeting - Wednesday April 18th.
All will be welcome.

RECLAIM CHILWELL

JULY 1st.

Preparations for the Mass Trespass at Chilwell are proceeding fast. The date for the action had been moved to Sunday July 1st to avoid a clash with the Glastonbury Festival. Letters have been sent out to over 80 local peace groups: to 8 key local unions and 400 union branches; to all labour party branches in the 11 Greater Nottingham constituencies; to 35 national peace groups and over 100 Nottingham community groups, minority and campaigning organisations.

We are in the process of seeking support and backing from CND's national Projects Committee, and are preparing a massive print-run of leaflets to go out on a nationwide distribution network.

There is still an awful lot of work to do. Over the next four months we need to send speakers to, and facilitate "training" sessions for, local groups. We need to raise lots of money (the whole event could cost between £1,000 and £2,000!) We need to produce a nation-wide poster; do some intense work amongst the Chilwell community itself; perhaps launch a chain letter; increase our knowledge about the base and its possible use by serious, detailed research.

Nearer the day, we shall perhaps have to organise accommodation and transport back-up for people; provide all sorts of legal support; arrange press conferences as well as all the practical co-ordination/registration/information on the day.

We need more help with all this. "Reclaim Chilwell" is too big to be left to a small group of half-a-dozen people. It will be a huge action, and if it is to go smoothly more peace activists from Nottingham should be involved in the planning and preparation. PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NO IN THE "RECLAIM CHILWELL" PIGEON HOLE AT THE NCND OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP IN ANY WAY.

I'll finish on a personal note. The other night I watched a television programme about the Nazi holocaust and extermination of the Jews in Europe during the 1930's. I'd seen it all before. Half my own family died in Hitler's death camps, and watching the films, I felt the familiar rage and pity and horror and grief rise inside of me. And then, the familiar tears. But I also realised something. Watching them standing in line, patiently queuing up for the cattle truck, or the firing squad, or the gas chamber, I realised that we were just like them. I saw films of the construction teams building the concentration camps. I saw the Jews actually paying for their train-fare to Dachau! I heard of five SS men organising hundreds of prisoners in the burning of bodies. And always the queues. Always the queues of people patiently waiting to die. You want to scream at them... DO SOMETHING!

And I realised we were just like them. Dachau, Auschwitz, Belsen.... Greenham, Upper Heyford, Chilwell. The only difference is that these days the holocaust is delivered to its victims instead of the other way round. We can't just wait patiently for them to build nuclear death camp - Chilwell. We have to do something. We have petitioned and marched and campaigned but they have ignored us. We have to do something - All of us. Together On Sunday July 1st. We have no alternative..... except to just join the queue.

Pete Strauss.

Would all NCND members and supporters watch out for the "Reclaim Chilwell" letter at their union or labour party branch meeting, and see that it is discussed and supported.

"RECLAIM CHILWELL" is a national action taking place on your doorstep. You save the £5 or so you would have to pay to get to a national demo in London or at Greenham.

Give it to "RECLAIM CHILWELL" INSTEAD.

Donations to:

"Reclaim Chilwell" c/o 15 Goosegate.

EIGHT NEW U.S. BOMBS A DAY

A privately sponsored academic report recently published in the United States claims the U.S. is increasing the stock of its nuclear stockpile by eight new warheads every working day. One of the authors commented 'by the mid-1990's virtually the entire stockpile will be replaced by a new generation of nuclear weapons. They will be more accurate, have longer range, higher yield and greater targeting flexibility, making them suitable for a nuclear warfighting role. 850 U.S. and N.A.T.O. units are now certified to use nuclear weapons with a total megatonnage of between 8,000 and 11,000 (two tons of TNT were enough to destroy the U.S. marine barracks in Beirut). The report states that there are now 13,500 strategic and 12,500 tactical warheads in U.S. hands.

The report, the first of eight volumes on world nuclear weapons was officially described as "not in America's national interest," but no attempt was made to stop its publication. The second volume will deal with the nuclear arsenal of the Soviet Union.

MEDIA GROUP

EARTHWISE

We can supply (most of) your daily needs - for instance;

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Shampoos, toothpaste, soap, cosmetics. All made from NATURAL ingredients and cruelty free.
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Plus vast range of things made by local craftsmen.

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15 GOOSEGATE. NOTTM.
Monday to Saturday. 10 to 5.

MUSIC & N.V.D.A.

Do you have an instrument you'd like to play or try out to see how easy or difficult it is? Have you got a guitar that you've not learnt to play, perhaps you just want to learn the words to some peace songs or maybe you could compose some? The CND Music Group (any suggestions for a better name?!) meets every Friday 7.30 - 9.30 at the NCND office preparing to provide atmosphere music and meaning to demonstrations and actions.

Music can be a useful element in any protest to help build group trust, calm tension, and drown out aggressive shouts/chants, but first you need some who know the tune and words.

COMPETITION

We would particularly like original tunes (with or without words) perhaps on a local theme - If you're not a musician, new words that fit well-known tunes (without military origins) would be welcome. We will print the best ideas and use them at future events. Here are some suggestions:-

1. A song for Chilwell Mass Trespass.
2. To the Beatles tune 'Yesterday' complete the lines beginning 'Sellafield, it's not got the name it used to have...'

Watch the Bulletin for the best ones!

MUSIC/RHYTHM WORKSHOP

Would you be interested in a Sunday or evening workshop when you could learn the basics of reading music, tuning instruments, different rhythms, how to 'orchestrate' a number for different instruments, etc?

If you would, please contact the Music Group contact and we will fix a date for it! Other workshops might cover legal aspects of playing in the street, experiences of playing at actions, etc.

Contact

The latest is that . . .

BRUCE KENT IS COMING !

This year we're aiming for greater diversity so that all the positive aspects of peace-keeping will show through.

We hope to have four marquees - for Women's Peace Action, Children's Festival, Exhibitions and Performers - as a safeguard against bad weather.

We are asking our Nuclear-Free County and City Councils for help.

Publicity material will come out soon - all with the Festival flower design in three colours

Here are two lists - of what we have and what we need. Help us to make the first one grow by next month.

WHAT WE'VE GOT

Site, electricity, water,
public address system
stalls co-ordinator, treasurer, press-officer, a compere,
Children's Festival group
Women's marquee group (W. for P.)
Women's band, Morris people,
publicity design (above)
video of last year's festival,
small festival group,
and BRUCE KENT

WHAT WE WANT

Sunny weather
money - please fund-raise in advance
groups to

guard the site overnight
organise a speakers' corner
organise Exhibitions marquee
staff GCHN/NCND stall on day
sell badges and programmes
to 5000 + people
leaflet surrounding areas
organise a parade through the
Meadows
organise a large event on
FRIDAY JULY 6th.

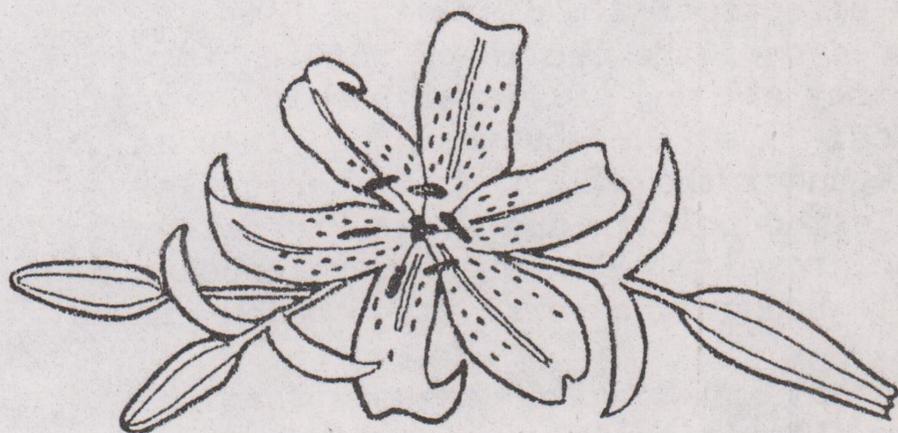
muscle for erecting stage, etc.
more entertainment -
jugglers, clowns, minstrels

Festival Co
any group.

Next Festival Meetings Mondays
April 2 & 16.

PEACE FESTIVAL

JULY 8TH 12 TO 8PM
VICTORIA EMBANKMENT NOTTM



CHILDRENS' PEACE FESTIVAL

We are a group of people who would like to organise a childrens' festival as part of the Peace Festival, with entertainment such as theatre clowns, music, games, etc.

So far there has been one meeting, and it was felt that we need a lot more people to get involved with the planning and organising of events.

We are also thinking of running a cheche during the festival, and responsibility could be shared on a rota basis for looking after it - for instance by neighbourhood groups or individuals.

If you feel that you'd like to be involved or could help in any way, please come along to our next meeting on Tuesday March 27th at 2.00 pm. at the CND office, or contact Caroline or Chris at Mushroom Bookshop, tel. 582506.

CIVIL DEFENCE - OR CIVIL NONSENSE?

Will you survive a nuclear war? Do you want to survive a nuclear war? Is a nuclear war survivable? Yes, folks, NCND answers the questions you are constantly asking yourself about civil defence. Questions like, "What do we do with the kitchen door?" and, "What time will the news be on?"

If, and when, a nuclear war is imminent, the government will push through your door a pamphlet entitled "Protect and Survive," the now infamous advice booklet on how to survive a one megaton blast by surrounding yourself with soil.

Let us make it quite clear that there can be no protection against nuclear bombs: the effects of a medium-sized bomb exploded over the centre of Nottingham would destroy all and kill everyone for several miles. Yet the government advises us to hide under the stairs or in the cellar while the politicians - the "peacekeepers" - and royalty will be in re-inforced concrete bunkers, several yards below ground.

"Protect and Survive" assumes that we will have a fortnight's warning of a nuclear war and that we will all be safely in our homes when the first SS-20 arrives. So, if you're not near your home when the sirens sound - forget it. But what of us sensible citizens who have followed "Protect and Survive"? Well, firstly you build your shelter in your fallout room. Simply remove three doors, prop them up against a wall (not an outside wall, of course) and surround them with bags of earth. (By the way, if you can't manage the doors, don't worry - you get as much protection under the kitchen table). Having done that, you will need to stock up with water: $3\frac{1}{2}$ gallons for each person. Don't forget to fill and cover your bath and sink for an extra water supply.

The next problem is food. You will need to stay in the shelter for a fortnight, so off you go to Tesco's for enough food to last you and your family for that length of time - along with everyone else of course. Those of us on the dole will presumably get two Giro's that week. You will also need a radio and plenty of batteries, a makeshift toilet (bucket under a hollowed out chair) and plenty of plastic bags in which to empty the contents of your toilet. Finally, you will need cutlery, crockery, books, games, clock, calendar, warm clothing, torch, radio, first-aid box - it's going to be just like camping without the creepy-crawlies.

Of course, you may be outside when you hear the sirens. Don't worry - "Protect and Survive" has this eventuality covered. Simply go to the nearest building, it says. Let's hope it's a food shop, so that you have enough food to survive. If there are no buildings nearby, just jump in a ditch and throw your coat over your head.

But what of our worthy politicians? How will they be spending this enforced holiday? Well, a complex system of regional governments will be put into operation, to govern the radioactive wasteland called Britain. Locally, our orders will come from a bunker situated beneath County Hall. Twenty or so people, including the head of Social Services and the City Architect (??!) will be telling us how to cope after the blast. Will they be affected by the fact that the bunker offers no more protection than a well-insulated cellar, likely to flood as it's so near the river? On a recent visit to the bunker the chairman of the Public Protection Committee admitted that he would not wish to take his place in it.

Another purpose of Civil Defence measures is to maintain law and order on our streets after a nuclear attack. Apparently, thousands of people will loot the still-standing shops and they will riot when emergency supplies are delivered. Armed police and soldiers, having miraculously survived, will keep everything in order - a job which includes turning away 'undeserving' cases from the hospitals, which have also miraculously survived.

Even from this limited amount of information it becomes blatantly obvious that any amount of money spent on Civil Defence measures is squandered. Many councils, having declared themselves nuclear-free, are refusing to take part in the pointless exercises called by the government. Recently, one Civil Defence exercise (Hard Rock) was cancelled due to lack of co-operation by councils, and pressure from groups like CND. The Home Office now plans to introduce legislation to punish those councils who refuse to take part in the exercises (which they must do at their own expense). Yet another example of the "democracy" our nuclear bombs are defending.

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NEXT BULLETIN.

DEADLINE for Contributions and Editorial Meeting; TUESDAY 17th APRIL.

Typing; 18th to 20th April.
 Layout; The Easter Holiday!
 Printing; 25th to 27th April.
 Collation; Saturday 28th April.

Come and get it - Monday 31st.

New Helpers welcome at any stage.

NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS.

New Meeting Arrangements.

FOREST FIELDS. Now 4th Thursday as well as 2nd Wednesday.

ARNOLD. Now meet at Arnold Leisure Centre.

RADCLIFFE. Next meeting (6th April) at Dayncourt School.

April Bulletin Team

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Under a new group subscription scheme we are able to offer a special reduced-rate annual subscription to "Sanity" of **£4** (i.e. 30p per copy) for paid-up NCND members only. The normal bookstall price remains at 50p.

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Fill in the tear-off slip below and hand it to your "Bulletin" deliverer, neighbourhood contact or NCND office. "Sanity" will be delivered with your Bulletin.

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If you are already taking "Sanity" via NCND at the full rate, you can, if you wish, obtain the relevant refund. We shall, of course, be grateful if you don't claim it!

Neighbourhood Groups

Co-ordinating Meeting decided that £1 of each £4 sub should go to the neighbourhood group. Here is a simple way of building group funds as well as "Sanity" circulation.

CONTACT ALL MEMBERS

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I enclose cheque/cash (cross out whichever does not apply).

Name Date

Address

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WEEKEND SCHOOL

28/29th APRIL

MANSFIELD CND are holding a Weekend School on the 28/29 April, to be held at

Mansfield Community Arts Centre,
Leeming Street,
Mansfield.

SATURDAY 28th: 11am-5pm.

Speakers: Ken Coates on 'European Disarmament & the Peace Movements'.

John Field on 'Government Plans for Civil Defence in the
Event of a Nuclear attack'.

Norma Turner (Journalists Against Nuclear Destruction) on
'Government Secrecy, the Press & the Public's
Right to Information'.

There will be an afternoon screening of 'America-from Hitler to MX'.

SUNDAY 29th: 2pm-4.30pm.

Screening of 'Carry Greenham Home'.

Speaker: Becky Morley on 'Feminism & Non-Violence'.

FEES: Saturday £2.00; Sunday £1.00; Both days £2.50.

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