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## February Bulletin

### DIARY

- MONDAY 9 Feb 8.00 - Media & Resources Group - Environmental Factshop
- MONDAY 16 Feb 7.30 - Mapperley Park Group showing film 'War without Winners' at St Andrews Church Hall, Chestnut Grove, Mapperley Rd
- THURSDAY 19 Feb 7.15 - Wollaton Group showing the War Game at Fernwood Comprehensive Goodwood Road, Wollaton.
- FRIDAY 20 Feb 8.55am - The War Game at Bilborough College, Bilborough Rd. (students)  
20 Feb 8.00 - Beeston Group showing the War Game at Parish Church Hall Church St, Beeston.  
20 Feb 9.30 till late - SAFE ENERGY GROUP BENEFIT at the International Community Centre, 61b Mansfield Rd - starring Medium Medium Tickest £1 waged, 75p unwaged. Late bar
- MONDAY 23 Feb 8.00 - Events Group - Environmental Factshop  
23 Feb 7.30 till 12 - Derby CND Benefit - the Thompson Twins, Coop Albion Derby
- SATURDAY 28 Feb 10am till 1pm - Bulwell Day of Action - Bulwell Market - help needed
- SUNDAY 1 Mar 7.30 - NND MONTHLY MEETING - Friends Meeting House, 25 Clarendon St  
1 Mar 7.00 - Bulwell Group showing the War Game at Rock St Hall, Bulwell
- WEDNESDAY 4 Mar 8.00 - Trade Union Group - 118 Mansfield Road
- THURSDAY 5 Mar 8.00 - NND CO-ORDINATING GROUP - Environmental Factshop
- SUNDAY 8 Mar 7-10.30 - Jam session for NND (jazz/blues) - The Fox, Parliament ST
- FRIDAY 13 Mar ? - NND FUNDRAISING BENEFIT - at the University with Buzzcocks
- SATURDAY 14 Mar 10am - St Anns Day of Action - St Anns Library, Robin Hoods Chase
- WEDNESDAY 18 Mar 7.30 - Bruce Kent from National CND speaking on Christians & Nuclear Disarmament at the YMCA, Shakespeare St
- SATURDAY 28 Mar 10-10pm - Disarmament Film Day at the New Cinema
- SATURDAY 18 Apr 11am - DEMONSTRATION IN NOTTINGHAM FOR A NUCLEAR FREE ZONE

### Neighbourhood Groups

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#### NOTTINGHAM FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT POLICY

NND is opposed to all nuclear weapons, East or West. We want Britain to renounce possession of such weapons and to close all nuclear bases. We see a nuclear weapons free Britain as an essential step towards a nuclear weapons free Europe and World and the end of nuclear alliances. The only defence against nuclear war is nuclear disarmament.



# Information

Our office is one room at the environmental Information Centre, 15 Goosegate. Tel 582561. There you will be able to get hold of some of the materials listed below as well as have a look at the library of information.

## ● OFFICE OPENING HOURS REDUCED\*\*\*\*\*OFFICE OPENING HOURS REDUCED\*\*\*\*\*

The environmental Information Centre whose two 'workers' act as our public office, will in future only be open for part of the week due to lack of trade in the shop.

The opening hours will be:-

MONDAY 12.30 - 5.00 and 7.30 - 9.30

TUESDAY 12.30 - 5.00

FRIDAY 10.00 - 5.00

SATURDAY 10.00 - 4.30

If anybody from NND is interested in keeping the shop open during other hours could they contact John and Caroline at the Factshop.

## ● LEAFLETS----- LEAFLETS-----LEAFLETS-----LEAFLETS

- a) a leaflet about civil defence
- b) a basic case for nuclear disarmament with a map of Nottingham showing what would happen if a bomb dropped on the centre.
- c) an advertising leaflet for The War Game

## ● POSTERS....ACTION NOTES.....FACTSHEETS.....BADGES

- A) Posters:- as well as the War Game poster there is also available a general NND poster (free), a Kiss Your Kids Goodbye poster (30p or reduced rate to sell in bulk), a 'This is a Nuclear Free Zone' miniposter (5p)....PLUS....some Anti-Nuclear Maps of Britain (£1)
- B) Action Notes:- Price 10p - these give advice on what to do as an individual, how to set up a Neighbourhood Group and include a directory of campaigning resources in Nottingham. A real bargain at 10p
- c) Badges:- NND ones price 20p but groups can take them to sell at a discount. The Factshop als has many other anti-nuke badges and stickers

## ● SPEAKERS

If you want a speaker from NND for a meeting then contact Susannah White, 9 Tavistock Drive, Mapperley Park, Tel 609105 who is coordinating which speaker goes to which meeting (there's a list of people prepared to give talks etc)

## ● TAPE AND SLIDE SHOW

This is of the Oct 26th London Demo with many NND campaigners featuring. Its available from the Arts & Craft Centre, Hyson Green, Tel - 782463 - charge negotiable

## ● NND OPEN EVENING

As of Monday 12th January the NND office will be open every Monday evening from 7.30 to 9.30 pm. So that:-

- a) Newcomers to NND - can come and find out more about it, meet others involved, discuss ideas etc
- b) Neighbourhood Groups + individuals - can obtain or pass on information about what's happening.
- c) Some of the people who will be at the office will be getting on with making a proper NND exhibition

All offers of help in staffing the office on a rota system every Monday evening will be gratefully received -even if its just once every couple of months.

## ● THE WAR GAME

Our own copy is now virtually booked up till Mid March - ring the office for details. The rate is variable for hiring it - anything from free for a tiny group with no money to perhaps £50 for a rich ? student union. Just remember to:

- a) Pick it up and bring it back on time - fines for late return because you'll have messed up another showing
- b) Make sure you've got a projector and projectionist - ask at the office if you need help finding either of these.
- c) Collect leaflets/badges/petitions/posters etc from the office to give out or sell (sale or return) Mushroom Bookshop will provide pamphlets/books to sell



# Local Events

## ● EASTER DEMONSTRATION - APRIL 18th - EASTER SATURDAY

We want this to be a really massive demonstration in Nottingham. It will start at the Forest at 11am and march to the City Centre- Market Square for 12.00. The theme of the demonstration will be "Make Nottingham a Nuclear Free Zone" which would mean:-

No Nuclear Waste Dumping in the area south of Nottingham

No county council cooperation with civil defence plans

No regional underground seats of government (its widely rumoured that there's one in Watnall)

No nuclear research at the University

And probably a few other connections we haven't thought of yet.

Advance publicity (1000 posters and many more leaflets) will be out soon and at the next monthly meeting the Events Group will talk more about our plans

The next meeting of the Events Group will be discussing this further

## ● MONDAY 23rd FEBRUARY 8pm ENVIRONMENTAL FACTSHOP

We always need more volunteers to help with the practical organisation of events. At that meeting we'll also be discussing further our ideas for some kind of Festival at Wollaton Park in July.

## ● NND IN BULWELL DAY

Time: 10am to 1pm

Report to: Stall outside Horse and Jockey, Bulwell Market (catch any bus to the Market

Wanted: Placard holders for 3 main roads, leafleters, petitioners etc. Also help

on the stall and putting up the exhibition. As much help as possible needed

The leaflet handed out will advertise a showing of the War Game on Sunday 1st March at 7.00 in Rock Street Hall, Bulwell.

## ● NND IN ST. ANNS DAY

This will be a mass leafletting of shoppers and houses in the area advertising 2 showings of the War Game during the week following. Anybody interested please come 10am - Saturday 14th March - St Anns Library, Robin Hood Chase, St Anns

For more details contact Alan Simpson - 53355.

If any other small neighbourhood group would like to hold a mini 'Event' in their shopping centre and wants help from NND could they please contact the Events Group - Tel - Ross 582506 daytime.

## ● REGIONAL MEETING

On Sunday Feb 15th in Nottingham there's going to be an East Midlands Regional Meeting of Disarmament groups. Its been called by us and the East Midlands CND representative. The aim is to exchange ideas and experiences and discuss both how we fit into the CND national structure and what activities we might engage in as a region (a demonstration at an aircraft base in the region perhaps?).

All groups have been asked to restrict themselves to 4 delegates and NND is sticking to this as well - our delegates are coming from the NND officers and the Events Group which is organising it. It will not be a decision making meeting ie any ideas for action will have to be taken back to all the groups.

## ● LABOUR MOVEMENT CONFERENCE AGAINST THE MISSILES

One weakness of the massive Oct 26th Demonstration in London was the lack of obvious trade union support. To rectify this crucial fault CND is calling a Labour Movement Conference against the Missiles in Manchester on the 28th March. Trade union branches, committees and Constituency Labour Parties and Labour Party branches can send 2 delegates each at a fee of £3 to CND at 11 Goodwin St, London N.4. It is confidently expected that around 1000 delegates will attend. Given the present opportunities within the unions and Labour Party this could be the most significant CND event of the year. Already Nottingham Trades Union Council has appointed its two delegates and a number of other local union and Labour Party branches are expected to be sending delegates. A minibus is being arranged. For further details contact Julian Atkinson Tel 622666

## ● SILENT PROCESSION IN MELTON

On the theme of 'Tomorrows Child ? - The Nuclear Shadow affects us all.  
Saturday 28th March at 10.30 am - Phone Melton 3362 for details



# Fundraising

- MARCH 13th - FRIDAY - UNIVERSITY - there's going to be an NND benefit with the Buzzcocks. At the moment we think its entrance only to student union card holders and guests they sign in but we're checking that. Watch out for future details and get to know some students quick.
- APPEAL FOR FUNDS.....APPEAL FOR FUNDS.....APPEAL FOR FUNDS.....

NND's funds are getting low - the benefit will obviously help but there's other ways of raising money - like.....

  - \* Neighbourhood Groups holding fundraising events so that they can pay for their leaflets direct
  - \* Individuals filling in the bankers order in this bulletin
  - \* Individuals/Groups getting others to subscribe to this bulletin - the subscription tear off slip is at the back
- SPONSORED WALK TO RUGBY

On Easter Monday 20th April there's a West Midlands CND demonstration and festival in Rugby. Dave from the events group has decided to march from Nottingham to Rugby both to raise publicity for nuclear disarmament and raise money. He wants as many people as possible to sponsor him (its about 60 miles). Enclosed are sponsor sheets for you to collect names and amounts. More sheets if you need them are available from the Environmental Factshop. If anybody else is interested in doing the walk with him then contact Dave at 781808. From other towns quite a lot of people are walking - not necessarily sponsored - some are just for the publicity.

For those who don't fancy walking but still want to go to the demo - if there's interest the Events Group will arrange transport. Let us know either via the Environmental Factshop or at the March monthly meeting,
- NOTTINGHAM SAFE ENERGY GROUP DISCO.....

Friday 20th February - 9.30 till late - International Community Centre, 61b Mansfield Road.....  
Medium Medium.....Twenty Three Jewels.....Disco.....

Tickets price £1 waged, 75p unemployed, available from Mushroom, Ouroboros, Virgin Selectadisc and the Environmental Factshop
- A JAM SESSION

Some local musicians are getting together for a jazz and blues session on behalf of NND. There will be two core bands but anyone with an instrument is welcome to join in. Entrance will be about 30p.

Sunday 8th March 7.00 to 10.30 pm THE FOX, Upper Parliament St.
- NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT FILM DAY

Steve Neale (Midland Group) and Tony Claydon (NND) have arranged a Film Day on Saturday 28th March, at the New Cinema in Warser Gate. The programme consists of three sessions (morning, afternoon and evening), including a total of ten films and two speakers. Several of the films may be of interest to local groups planning future shows of their own. Information on distributors and hire charges will be available. See enclosed publicity for details.
- DERBY CND

Recently started, this group had a tremendous turnout for their first big public meeting which was addressed by Bruce Kent. 600 people turned up.

The group is organising a fund-raising do for which tickets will be on sale in Nottingham - at Mushroom and the Factshop.

The bands are:  
THE THOMPSON TWINS and TRACK 21

Coop Albion, Derby 23 Feb 7.30 - 12.00 pm
- PHOTOMONTAGE EXHIBITION

An exhibition of photomontage entitled 'No Nuclear Weapons' (by Kennard & Sissons) will be on display at the Midland Group Gallery in the Lace Market for a week beginning 1st March



# Neighbourhood Groups

## ● WOLLATON ACTION FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT (WAND)

W.A.N.D has been in action since December 1980. The group meets every fortnight at 7.30pm at 94 Russell Drive, alternating between Monday and Tuesday evenings. The purpose of the Monday evenings is self education. The first education meetings dealt with "Deterrence Strategy - a paper was prepared by Paul Waddingham who then led discussion on the subject. Tuesday evenings are used to plan and organise campaigning in the Wollaton area.

February programme:-

Mon 2nd Feb: - Awkward Questions and how to answer them.

Tues 17 Feb: - Planning Meeting to prepare for public meeting

Thurs 19 Feb: - Public Meeting - 7.15 at Fernwood Comprehensive School, Goodwood rd Wollaton - showing of the War Game and discussion.

Any volunteers to help leaflet please contact Martin Harvey, 94 Russell Drive - 286213

## ● SNEINTON GROUP

This meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 8pm at 13 Kentwood Rd, Sneinton  
Next meetings are Thursday 12th Feb and Thursday 12th March.

## ● WEST BRIDGFORD GROUP

A lot of people turned up to help with leafletting on our day of action and we showed the War Game the following week with an attendance of about 90 people. As a consequence the numbers at our last meeting reached an all time high of 16 ! We are putting cards in local shop windows about our group and are trying to gauge the sympathies of local churches. We have plans for a jumble sale to raise funds with an NND stall. We hope to buy literature for the group with the funds. We also intend that individual members should read up a particular aspect of the situation and give the group a short talk on that subject. Our meetings will now be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. For more info contact Sue Thomas - 34 Henry Rd Tel 818387.

## ● LENTON GROUP

Meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 8.00 in the upstairs partitioned section of the 17/21st Lancers pub on Willoughby St

## ● VICTORIA CENTRE GROUP

Meeting on 12th Feb at 8.00 at flat 14.20

## ● WHITEMOOR GROUP

Next meeting - Wednesday 25th Feb at 8.00 at 60 Newlyn Drive, Western Boulevard

## ● BEESTON ANTI-NUCLEAR GROUP

BANG will be showing the War Game on Friday 20th Feb at the Parish Church Hall, Church st, Beeston at 8pm. Arrow Theatre put their show 'Protect and Survive' on in 3 local pubs. This witty demolition of the governments "civil pretence" arrangements was well received by the surprised and startled customers except for one or two dissenters in one pub who asked rhetorically whether any of us wanted to go on living. An in-depth analysis of Soviet foreign policy was felt to be inappropriate at that stage so we left quickly.

## ● FOREST FIELDS PEACE GROUP

At our last meeting we showed the Tape/Slide show of the Oct 26th Demonstration and then discussed 'where do we go from here'. As we've had considerable impact in the area and have already built up a lot of support through our leafletting and petitioning it was quite a difficult discussion. Eventually we resolved to plan a step by step publicity and education campaign and a sub group are also working on the possibility of a Forest Fields referendum on disarmament or making Nottingham a nuclear free zone. We'd particularly like to hear from other neighbourhood groups who might be interested in organising referenda in their area,

## ● NEW GROUPS

THE MEADOWS - Isobel Shelton - 46 Ferrigill Close is the contact

NEWARK CND - asked for a mention. They meet on the first Thursday of every month at the 'Wing Tavern' off Bridge St in Newark at 8pm. Contact Kathie Stewart, 14 Fenton Close, Newark Tel Newark 66444



# Around the Groups

## ● RESOURCES GROUP

The artwork for several basic leaflets that neighbourhoods might like to use exists on plates kept at the Art and Crafts Centre, Gregory Boulevard. Contacts Pat Shamon 782463. Copies of these are being sent to each neighbourhood group. There is a space on each of these leaflets where different groups can add their own information (about meetings, contacts etc.). Other leaflets have been designed by various groups and some of these can be seen at the Factshop. If your neighbourhood has produced something, can you please get a copy onto the board at the Factshop with an indication of whether and where plates or stencils are available. This way, others don't have to start from scratch and can use your ideas. Also available at the Factshop now are notes for speakers who introduce The War Game.

~~Next~~ Apart from ongoing consideration of slide sets and exhibition material, and the editing of the Factsheets which we hope to produce again soon, the Resources Group will be mainly concerned with planning the Dayschool, which is planned for 16th May, at its next meeting. This will be on Monday 9th Feb 7.30pm at the Factshop. Contact Paula Masterman about future dates, tel: 9585481.

## ● TRADE UNION GROUP

This group is patiently getting information leaflets about nuclear disarmament round as many trade union meetings/branches as it can. We're also trying to get speakers and/or the War Game into branch meetings and workplaces. One success so far has been the Notts NUM agreeing to show the War Game at its educational schools for miners. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 4th March at 8pm at 118 Mansfield Road where we'll be discussing plans for a large public meeting staged jointly with the Nottingham Trades Council

## ● NALGO MEMBERS' GROUP

By the time the Bulletin is issued we shall have shown the War Game to NALGO members at County Hall, in Mansfield and in Gedling. Hopefully this will bring more active support to the Group. Whilst there are a large number of NALGO members working in NND Neighbourhood Groups, few of these are helping the NALGO Group to draw more of their working colleagues into NND. A little bit of assistance would be appreciated.

Please contact Roger Vaughan (606915 evenings or 545245 daytime) if you can help - even in a small way.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 16th February at the International Community Centre, Mansfield Road (note change of date and venue) starting 7.30pm.

## ● YOUTH AGAINST THE MISSILES

This group has got going over the last few weeks. It includes some school students and some at college. They've done some leafletting in the City Centre on the 29th January and made their own badges which rapidly sold out - more were in the production line in the neighbouring room whilst this was being typed. They plan to try and get displays in schools. For further information contact Ann - 42808

## ● NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

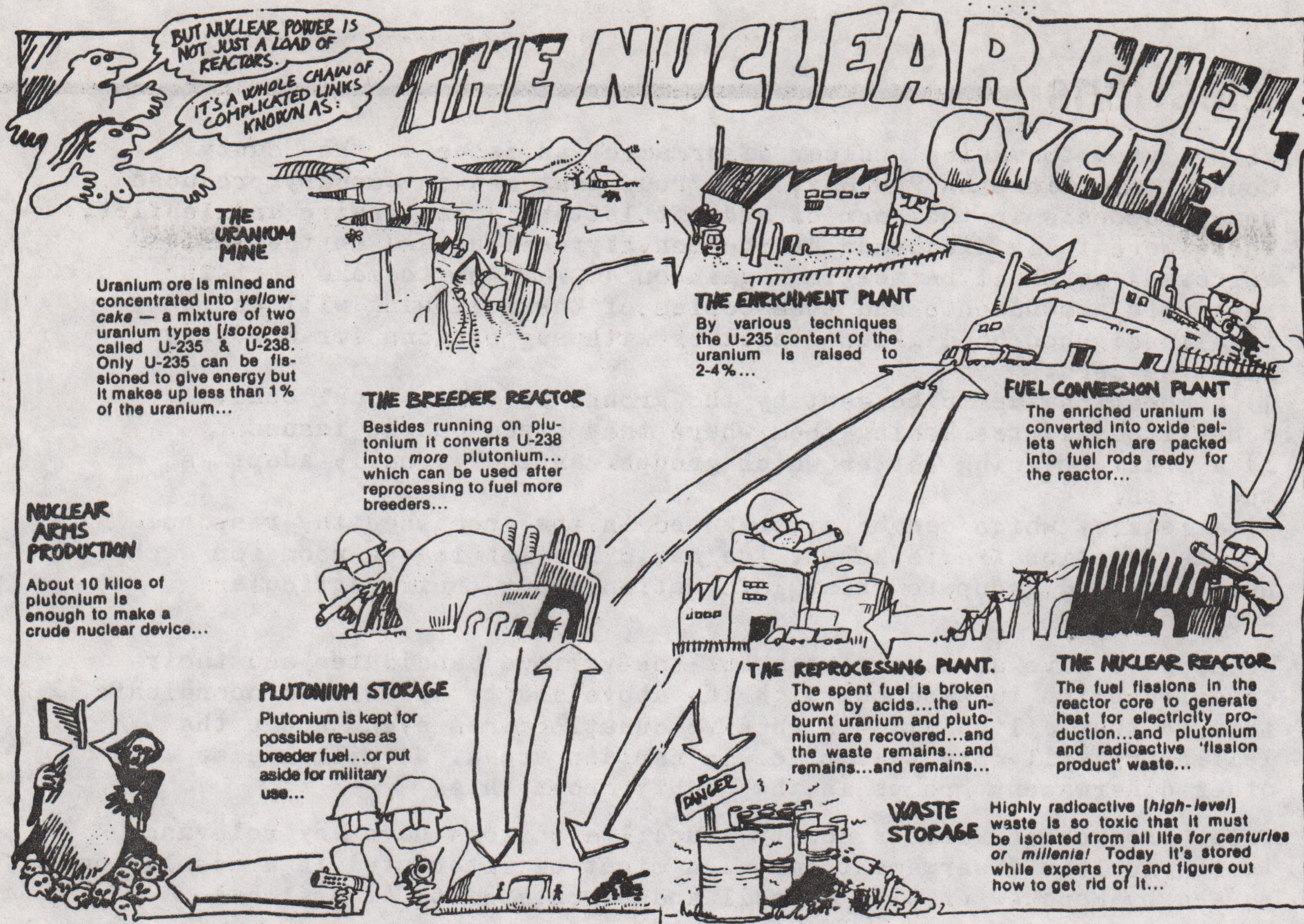
NUND called a general meeting of Nottm univ students on Tuesday 27th Jan, calling on the union to recognise the importance of supporting nuclear disarmament and especially of opposing Cruise and Trident. This motion was opposed by the Federation of Conservative Students but students voted overwhelmingly in favour of it. Over 400 students attended the meeting. The union is now committed to campaigning for nuclear disarmament and as a first step is affiliating to national CND and NND.

## ● "CHRISTIANS AND NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT"

Bruce Kent is coming to talk to a public meeting on Thursday 18th March. This will be at the YMCA. Anyone willing to help with publicity etc. please contact Barbara Lacey tel: 604961

A local group will meet on Thursay 26 Feb at 8pm at 1 Dunster Road, West Bridgford Contact Mary Longley - 813506. Their first meeting had 11 people at it





Any neighbourhood group that would like to have a discussion about the links between nuclear weapons and nuclear power — contact Dave Blatchford — 782463 (work) or Nick Armstrong who are prepared to introduce a discussion.

#### ● WOMEN OPPOSED TO NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY

In Nottingham we're getting together a talk about different aspects of nuclear weapons and nuclear power. We would like to give talks to various womens groups in Nottingham and the surrounding area. If you are in any womens group — (like womens institute, womens liberation group, mothers and toddlers etc), or know of one who would be interested please contact: WONT, c/o The Womens Centre, 32A Shakespeare St, Nottingham or telephone Dorry, Donna Judy on 49016 (daytime)

WONT meets every Wednesday evening at the Womens Centre at 8pm. We are open to all women who want to oppose all forms of nuclear technology. We are involved in the anti-waste dumping campaign and in disarmament activities.

There is a National Womens Action against nuclear weapons in London — 1st March and regional women's action at the end of March — contact WONT for more details

#### ● ROSALIE BERTELL — 10th March

Rosalie Bertell was a senior cancer research scientist for 10 years in the USA where her findings from a three year tri-state study into the effects of radiation on the body have had profound significance for those concerned with the issue of nuclear power and weapons. She is a consultant to the World Health Organisation and is one of the world's best qualified experts on the effects of low level radiation. She has lectured in various parts of the world and is now on a European tour.

We have asked if she is able to come to Nottingham and she can be here on 10th March. We are at present approaching people at the university (such as the Medical Society) to see if there is interest in sponsoring a meeting (it will cost about £75). Perhaps we can get some councillors to listen to her as well — it might affect their views on nuclear waste dumping!

Anyone with ideas about this, or who knows people who would be interested in setting it up, please contact Ann Kestenbaum tel: 602497



# Elections

With a view to making nuclear disarmament an issue at the County Council elections on 7th May, the group that met in January produced some proposals in the form of a draft letter, questionnaire and leaflet. These were fully discussed at the monthly meeting and on the whole approved. We shall be meeting again on 10 February to make certain suggested amendments and then copies of the following will be sent to all neighbourhood groups together with suggestions for how they might be used:

- 1) a questionnaire to be sent by the groups to their local county council candidates asking them where they stand on the issues
- 2) a draft covering letter which groups can individually adapt as they wish
- 3) a leaflet which can be distributed in the area when the response to the questionnaire is known. The basic leaflet leaves room for each neighbourhood group to print information about their particular candidates.

We hope to have some details about the various candidates and their constituencies to send out with the above and to be able to coordinate this so that all candidates receive questionnaires even though the leafleting will only take place in certain areas. We will liaise with other disarmament groups in the county about this.

Those who wonder whether county council elections have any relevance to the nuclear disarmament campaign might be interested in a resolution passed by Manchester City Council and circulated to other local authorities:

## Motion passed by Manchester City Council on 5th November 1980

This council, in the light of its pre-determined policy concerning the dangers of nuclear weapons, calls upon H.M. Government to refrain from the manufacture or positioning of any nuclear weapons of any kind within the boundaries of the city.

Conscious of the magnitude of the destructive capacity of modern nuclear weapons, we recognise that our proposals have little meaning on their own. We therefore directly appeal to our neighbouring authorities in the North West of England and to all local authorities throughout Great Britain to make similar statements on behalf of the citizens they represent.

We believe that it is not in the interests of our people to be either the initiators or the magnet of a nuclear holocaust and firmly believe that such unequivocal statements would clearly indicate the overwhelming desires of the people we represent and could lay the groundwork for the creation and development of a nuclear free zone in Europe.

## ● WORLD DISARMAMENT CAMPAIGN

There is a meeting at Norwich Gardens Community Centre, Squires Avenue, Bulwell on February 16th at 8pm for the newly formed Bulwell branch of the W.D.C.. Sympathisers living in (or out!) of the area are most welcome to attend. In June a petition will be launched which will cover the whole of Bulwell East and West constituencies. This is part of a worldwide petition to be presented to the United Nations Special Session on Disarmament in 1982. An action committee is being formed now. If you want to help contact Phil & Ellen Marshall - 753746

At their last meeting Nottingham Peace Council (to which most city-wide peace 3rd world and human rights groups are affiliated) decided to launch the WDC petition in Nottingham on June 1st at a large public meeting. In the meantime the Peace Council is to raise the petition among lots of other groups in the city to see if a complete door to door coverage of the city is possible. For further information contact David Roberts, The Vicarage, Awksworth, Notts Tel Ilkeston 321274.

## ● NOTTINGHAM PEACE COUNCIL

are meeting on Thursday 19th March at 7.30 at the Friends Meeting House



# Peace is the only defence

**CHRIS HORRIE** reports on peace campaigns and the local council elections.

AS the Tory government drives its warmongering deeper into the community, local councils are finding their anti-nuclear voice.

In some parts of the country local groups of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament have secured the support of local authorities. The council elections in May provide ample opportunity for local campaigns to focus attention on government preparations for nuclear war — particularly the civil defence con-trick.

In the London borough of Lewisham, for example, the council has referred back to the government Home Office circulars on civil defence. The borough council has decided instead to have a week of public screenings of the anti-nuclear war film "The War Game"—the film that was banned from television.

## Liverpool

In Knowsley, Liverpool, the local council actually affiliated to CND. In Strathclyde, Scotland, the council has a long-standing policy of co-operation with CND.

This is particularly important as the Faslane and Holy Loch nuclear submarine bases are sited in the council's territory.

Many more councils are showing signs that they want to get involved in the campaign, and others are bending to pressure from local CND groups.

In Hull, Labour Councillor Ernest Kirkwood has called on the city to send a peace delegation to Downing Street, Washington and to Moscow. Both the city and the Hull Trades Union Council have joined forces to fight for peace. A showing of "The War Game" was held in the City Hall at the instigation of the city council.

At the centre of a recent row in Hull, Professor George Cole of the physics department at Hull University, was made nuclear defence adviser to the Yorkshire and Humberside Home Defence Region.

Both the TUC Peace Committee and the local Hull Action For Peace have called for Professor Cole's resignation from the university.

He told protesters that someone had to be ready to "pick up the pieces" after a nuclear war.

The following resolution was passed by the London borough of Haringey at a meeting in December last year: "This council believes that it is important for the people of Haringey to know that it will be impossible to provide adequate protection for them in the event of a nuclear attack, and declares that

it will not be party to civil defence exercises designed to mislead the public into believing that adequate protection is available and therefore that 'limited' nuclear war and increased military spending are acceptable."

The council debate followed a vigorous campaign by a local CND group including demonstrations at the sites of bunkers, and letters requesting more information about shelter provision for people living at the top of council high-rise flats.

In the government's civil defence handbook "Protect and Survive," persons living in high-rise blocks are told to ask their landlords where to shelter.

This line of questioning led to the frank admission by Haringey's emergency planning officer that most of the people in Haringey would be "fried to a crisp," shelters or no shelters.

Hackney Borough Council, also in London, agreed a seven-point plan with Hackney CND which could be a model for similar agreements with councils all over the country.

At a council meeting just before Christmas, the council agreed to: give free showings of "The War Game" throughout the borough; allow CND to stage exhibitions in libraries; publish a special issue of the council newspaper devoted to peace and disarmament; grant a free market stall licence to the local group for its Saturday morning literature sales; put up CND posters on the council notice boards; and bring pressure on the education authorities to allow Hackney CND access to schools to make contact with teachers and older students, as well as staging lectures, film showings and discussions on the nuclear issue.

## 'War centre'

The Tory-controlled Greater London Council is apparently planning to build a £300,000 "war centre" in the borough of Brent.

According to the GLC's spokesman on civil defence, Mr. Edward Leigh, the centre would accommodate certain local government officers who would administer housing, food and welfare services.

He said the centre would not withstand any nuclear blast but would be a protection against radiation. There are already four such centres in Greater London.

Brent's two Labour GLC members, Illyd Harrington and Norman Howard, have described the scheme as "mad brained."

Mr. Howard said: "The centre would do nothing to improve world peace and it is highly

questionable whether it can perform a useful task in the event of a war."

In October last year South Yorkshire County Council passed a motion declaring the area a "nuclear free zone"—recognising that the emergency services at its disposal were worse than useless and resolving not to co-operate with civil defence exercises. If we are to have a "European Nuclear Free Zone" what better way than to build it than from councils upwards.

Sheffield City Council went further than South Yorkshire calling on the government to "close all nuclear bases on British soil and in British waters and to refuse to participate in a defence strategy based on nuclear weapons." Sheffield's local paper The Star joined in the campaign with a series of articles exposing the location of local government bunkers in Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster.

## Huntingdon

Most of the councils supporting CND are controlled by the Labour Party. But on Huntingdon District Council the Tories are taking a special interest.

Huntingdon has the Molesworth proposed Cruise missile base within its territory.

Independent Councillor David Spreckley put a "non-co-operation" motion before the council in August last year calling on councillors to hold a seminar on the subject of civil defence.

He recalled: "Then the surprise came with my motion. Up popped a young Tory committee chairman to second it, and it went through with hardly any opposition."

In January more surprises were in store as Tory councillors put their own motion telling the government that present civil defence provision was "absurd" and calling for vast sums to provide shelter provision.

What, we might ask, are the councillors going to do when the government tells them, as is likely, that no further funds are available?



# Monthly Meetings

## FEBRUARY MONTHLY MEETING

The meeting was attended by about 70 people. It was given over largely to group discussions and a plenary session concerning NND structure and organisation.

It has become clear that we need a formal structure of some kind, so that we can:

- relate the twenty or more local groups more firmly to each other and to NND centrally and clarify their role in influencing policy decisions;
- clarify the means by which decisions are to be taken and acted upon;
- have wider participation in determining the form and content of monthly meetings;
- enable newcomers to comprehend how NND works and how they can contribute to its activities.

Following discussion in groups, the Meeting endorsed, with minor modifications, the proposals on structure put forward in the January Bulletin. These included the setting-up of a Co-ordinating Group, consisting of:-

The two Chairpersons

The two Secretaries

The Treasurer

1 representative (permanent, if possible, at least for a fixed period) from each local or neighbourhood group of more than 6 members

1 representative from each of the Resources, Events and Trade Union Groups

1 representative from the Bulletin production/editorial group.

The Co-ordinating Group will be open to all supporters of NND to attend, observe and speak but, in the event of a decision where opinion was divided, only the above members would have voting rights; they would also receive priority in speaking.

The Co-ordinating Group will meet at least once between monthly meetings to recommend and co-ordinate action, drawing particularly upon ideas arising out of monthly meeting discussions and those of local groups. In general, the roles of monthly meeting and Co-ordinating Group will be complementary but, given the more representative nature of Co-ordinating Group, it was felt that this, rather than monthly meeting, should have final decision-making power. However, major or controversial decisions should be taken only after consideration by local groups and monthly meeting, where this is feasible.

Additional functions of Co-ordinating Group will include:

- taking ideas arising out of monthly meeting and, together with knowledge of local, regional and national events, initiating and co-ordinating any necessary action;
- planning the form and content of monthly meetings. There was general agreement that monthly meetings should be much more varied, interesting and educational and embrace films, open discussions, guest speakers and other means of increasing our mutual commitment to the campaign.
- exercising general responsibility for deciding what goes into the Bulletin.

### LOCAL GROUPS PLEASE NOTE

Now that the proposal for a Co-ordinating Group has been endorsed by monthly meeting, all local/subsidiary groups in NND are asked to appoint one representative each to attend Co-ordinating Group meetings (which will probably be monthly). Please appoint a permanent rep. (plus reserve) if possible, say for the first three or six months.



Bring names to the March Monthly Meeting, so that an initial co-ordinating Group can be established then. Please make this a priority; we don't want to have to wait months for CG to get down to work; there's already plenty for it to do.

THE NEXT MONTHLY MEETING WILL BE ON SUNDAY 1st MARCH, 7.30 at the Friends Meeting House, 25 Clarendon Street.

The first meeting of the Co-ordinating group will be THURSDAY 5th MARCH, at 8.00 at the ENVIRONMENTAL FACTSHOP

Also please note that the monthly meeting agreed that Nottingham University for Nuclear Disarmament and Youth Against the Missiles would have reps on the co-ordinating group.

● AGENDA FOR MARCH MONTHLY MEETING

- 7.30 - Campaign Information including details of the April 18th Demonstration
- 7.45 - Talk with slides by Tony Claydon on 'Technology and Nuclear War'
- 8.30 - Discussion in small groups on above  
Coffee will be available to be collected by 1 member of each group
- 9.15 - Plenary resumes for announcements/any other business
- 9.30 ish - Ends

If there's people at the meeting who are new to NND some of the 'old hacks' will hang around at the end to talk more about it, perhaps in a pub ?

This meeting is going to be an educational/informational type meeting. Future possibilities include a meeting on ideas for Neighbourhood Action and Ken Coates speaking on European Developments.

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● New Pamphlets

2 new pamphlets available from Mushroom in Heathcote St are an 'Activities Planning Map' (showing all the main nuclear bases, communications sites and government bunkers) which costs 35p and; How effective are Peace Movements ? (a research paper from Bradford School of Peace Studies) which costs 95p

● Tell The Office !

As the office often gets callers wanting to know what's going on - please, if you are organising anything, tell the office! We've had one case where the press rang up about a trade union group public meeting which the people in the office knew nothing about - valuable publicity lost.

● CND PETITIONS

These are to be handed in to the government on Feb 14th. So if you've got any hanging around bring it into the Environmental Factshop immediately

● PACIFIST GROUP

There is now a Nottingham Pacifist Group meeting regularly. The group intends general work around the military - anti-recruitment, campaigning against war toys etc as well as discussing how we live out our non-violence in our relationships and family. The group also intends monthly 'peace meals and discussing how best pacifists can effect the nuclear disarmament movement. Contact Ross - Mushroom Bookshop - 582506

● ONE WORLD - Let's get it together!

A suggestion for NND activity in the autumn. Each year the World Development Movement ( WDM ) promotes a ONE WORLD WEEK to act as a focus for study and action about justice, peace and world development . This year it is planned for the week 18th to 25th October. It is hoped to hold events in as many cities as possible including Nottingham , involving a whole range of local groups including peace groups. We would like all NND groups to send a representative to a meeting on TUESDAY MARCH 10th commencing at 7.30pm at the International Community Centre Mansfield Road. This meeting will discuss the ideas of ONE WORLD WEEK and float suggestions as to what local groups can do during this week.

Contact: Konnie Lloyd, 26 Marlborough Road, Beeston ( tel: Nottm. 222019



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BULLETIN DEADLINE.....BULLETIN DEADLINE.....BULLETIN DEADLINE

The Deadline for the next bulletin is Wednesday 4th March at the Environmental Factshop . BUT....if people could hand stuff in earlier - the monthly meeting perhaps - then it will make life easier for the people who produce it.

All offers of help producing this bulletin (especially typists) gratefully received

NOTTINGHAM FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT - SUBSCRIBE

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