

EVENTS

Sunday 29th October
Faslane 365 Open Day
from 3 to 8 pm at the ASBO Centre,
35 Burns St, Arboretum, Nottingham
Near High School tram stop.

Saturday 11 November
Nottingham CND AGM
at Queen's Walk Community Centre, The Meadows
Lunch from 12 o'clock.
Business, slides and discussion from 1 pm.

Thursday 16th November
Trident Replacement - Which way Forward?
Public meeting organised by Nottingham CND,
7.30 pm at St Peter's Church, Nottingham City Centre
With Nick Palmer MP (Broxtowe)
and Alan Simpson MP (Nottm South)

Saturday 25th November
One World Christmas Fair 2006
at the YMCA, Shakespeare Street, from 10 to 4 pm

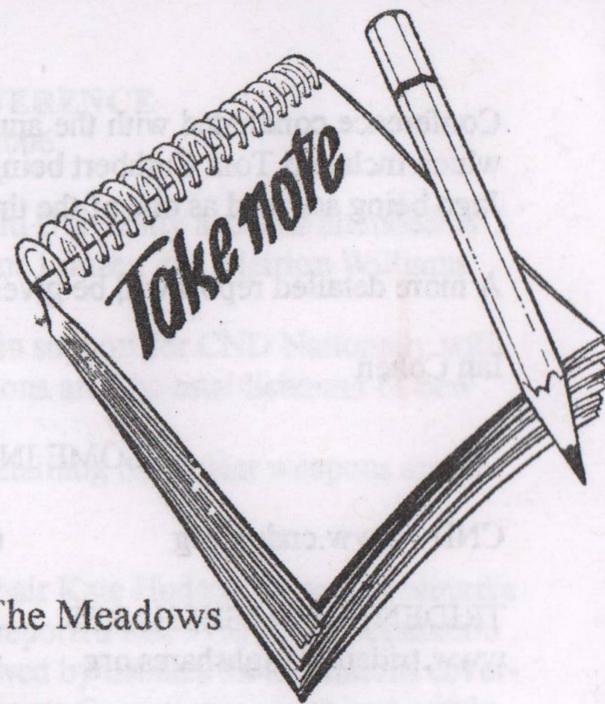
STALL DATES

Saturday 28 October
in Sherwood outside the Co Op, 10.30 to 12.30ish

Saturday 4th November
by the Lions, adjacent Slab Square, 11.30 - 2.00ish

Saturday 2nd December by the Lions, 11.30 - 2.00ish

Please do not feel shy about coming down to help as the more helpers we can get to both of the stalls the better. We try to be as informal as possible and even half an hour would be most appreciated.



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THE BIG TRIDENT DEBATE

Join the Big Trident Debate
www.bigtridentdebate.org.uk
email: enquiries@bigtridentdebate.org.uk
tel: 0845 094 6058

Come to the public meeting
organised by Nottingham CND
on Thursday 16th November...

Trident Replacement - which way Forward?

7.30 pm at St Peter's Church, City Centre

Stop Trident Replacement - The Next Steps

Since our last news bulletin our world has become an even unsafer place to live in (despite our so called wonderful nuclear weapons) with the North Korean Nuclear test and the threat of a second test.

CND took the opportunity to put out a press release immediately following the test condemning North Korea's underground test and the UK hypocrisy and calling on our government to convene a world summit on nuclear disarmament as proposed by Hans Blix. This testing has proved beyond doubt that a replacement of Trident does not make us safer and the only way forward is to work towards the abolition of all nuclear weapons everywhere. We as a movement have got to get the message out to the general public and encourage our MPs to sign the Early Day Motion 2702 (proposed by Norman Baker, entitled Trident) This early day motion needs the maximum number of signatures before the Queen's Speech on November 15th.

Public Meeting - Trident Replacement - Which Way Forward

Speakers Nick Palmer MP and Alan Simpson MP

Venue St. Peters Church at 7.30 on Thursday 16th November 2006

Hopefully this will be followed by a lively discussion. Do try and get as many people as possible to turn up. We will be advertising it in the Evening Post and on Radio Nottingham and there will be flyers which can be distributed at any event you feel appropriate. Please contact us if you want some. We are also having two stalls before the event where I need people to hand out leaflets and encourage people to turn up.

White Poppies

White poppies will be available on the stalls. The money this year for the white poppies will be going to Friends of the Iraqi People unless anyone feels another cause might be appropriate. Please let us know, as we might be able to split the proceeds. I have got 300 white poppies so if you cannot get to a stall and know of anywhere where white poppies can be sold do not hesitate to contact me on Nottingham [redacted]. The money will be going to worthy causes.

Nottingham CND AGM

Saturday November 11th from 11.30 to 3.00ish at Queens Walk Community Centre

We have decided on a Saturday as we know that public transport is much better than on Sunday. Before the AGM there will be a chance to meet informally over food and drink. All donations of food most welcome.

At the AGM we will be able to discuss what our priorities are for the coming year and to reflect on the last year. We will also be electing our secretary etc. If anybody feels they want to become more involved and want to stand for any positions feel free to do so! If anybody has any photographs which reflect what has been happening over the last year please let Jeremy know so he can include them in the slide show. We are also hoping to show some short videos.

One World Christmas Fair 2006

Saturday 25th November at the YMCA from 10-4pm

Yes luckily we have yet another one world fair at the YMCA. The work on the building has not progressed as quickly as they hoped. Nottingham CND will be having a stall and hopefully there will be a new Christmas card on sale together with those from previous years. I do need volunteers especially to set up as I am on the early shift on that day. Please tell as many people as possible that it is on and of course get there yourself and bring plenty of money.

Silent Vigil

We hope to have a silent vigil at the end of December to reflect on the last year and to look towards 2007. There are no arrangements as yet but we will keep you informed via our website and email list or give us a ring.

I do hope to see you soon and do remember, if you are in the position where you find it difficult to get out, letters to the evening post on the issue of Trident is a very good way of getting the message to the public and do write to your MP.

Thanks

Diane Lunzer (Secretary Nottingham CND)

CND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

14-15 October 2006

This year's Annual Conference was held at Bradford University and was attended by 3 delegates from Nottingham CND, Ian Cohen, Diane Lunzer, and Meirion Williams.

It was held against the background of an upsurge in support for CND Nationally with affiliations from trade unions and other organisations and the establishment of new local groups as well as rising public opposition to Tony Blair and Gordon Brown's support for the retaining of nuclear weapons and replacing Trident.

These themes featured prominently in National Chair Kate Hudson's opening remarks and in the 2005-6 campaigns report where it was reported that 59% of the population now oppose Trident Replacement. This was followed by debates on resolutions covering: Campaigning against Trident and its replacement: Campaigning with and within Ethnic Minority Communities: Making links with local branches of Nationally Affiliated Unions.

The morning session concluded with a rousing speech from Alice Mahon MP who has campaigned tirelessly over the years in the Parliamentary Labour Party against Nuclear Weapons and more recently against the war in Iraq.

The afternoon consisted of 2 workshops sessions with a number of options available in the different workshops on National Bases in Europe, China, North Korea and Japan, Non Violent Direct Action Training, Iran and the Middle East and Israeli Nuclear Weapons, Youth and Students Against Nuclear Weapons and Nato and No Trident Replacement and the Next Steps. All of which were very stimulating and will help us be more effective in our campaigning.

The first day concluded with an early evening reception attended by Bradford's Lord Mayor, its Bishop and other civic dignitaries all of whom expressed their support for CND

Most of the second day was taken up with a series of Resolutions on: USA's use of Space Weaponry: Making the Non Proliferation Treaty work: The UN Charter: No Nuclear Hypocrisy - don't attack Iran: Israeli Nuclear Weapons - Boycott of Israeli goods: Nuclear Power - No solution to Climate Change - links with Nuclear Weapons. There was also an emergency resolution on the North Korean Nuclear Weapon Test and the links between this and the aggressive stance against them adopted by the USA. Government.

These led to a number of lively debates and were mostly carried by overwhelming majorities. The one on boycotting Israeli goods, however, proved much more contentious and was eventually referred to National Council for further consideration.

Conference concluded with the announcement of the elections to National Council which included Tom Cuthbert being elected as a National Representative and Jeremy Jago being adopted as one of the three East Midlands delegates.

A more detailed report will be given at our AGM on November 11th

Ian Cohen

SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES

CND www.cnduk.org

Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament

TRIDENT PLOUGHSHARES
www.tridentploughshares.org

A campaign to disarm the UK Trident nuclear weapons system in a non-violent, open, peaceful and fully accountable manner.

ABOLITION 2000
www.abolition2000.org

A network of over 2000 organisations in more than 90 countries worldwide working for a global treaty to eliminate nuclear weapons.

WORLD COURT PROJECT
www.gn.apc.org/wcp

George Farebrother Part of Abolition 2000

MAW
www.abolishwar.org.uk

Bruce Kent's Movement for the Abolition of War

MINISTRY FOR PEACE
www.ministryforpeace.org

ministry for peace is an organisation working for the creation of a Ministry for Peace within government and an independent, civil society body working alongside it.

CONSCIENCE
www.conscienceonline.org
also www.peacepays.org

The Peace Tax Campaign
Campaigns for the legal right for those who have a conscientious objection to war to have the military part of their taxes spent on peacebuilding initiatives.

CAAT
www.caat.org.uk

Campaign Against Arms Trade is working for the reduction and ultimate abolition of the international arms trade, together with progressive demilitarisation within arms-producing countries