Nottingham CND Newsletter July 2009

Hiroshima and Nagasaki Day - No Trident Replacement

No Trident Nuclear Weapons Replacement

As we think and reflect on the devastation that happened in Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945 it is really important that our message gets across that replacement of Trident at a cost of £76 billion will not make the world a safer place. Today, as we look back at the past, it is really imperative that we say 'never again'. If you have not yet done so, please contact your local MP, stating your fears and concerns regarding Trident replacement, and demanding that a full debate takes place in parliament - and decisions on the 'initial gate' report on Trident do not take place in September, when parliament is in recess.

Vigil - 12.30pm, The Council House, Thursday 6th August - Hiroshima Day

This is the time of year when we reflect on the time when the atomic bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945. Nottingham CND, together with National CND and peace groups throughout the world, will hold vigils to remember the past and say, loud and clear, 'never again'. Please come and join us outside the Council House at 12.30 to reflect and remind people of the horror nuclear weapons cause. We will be there for about half an hour, followed by a slow walk round the market square. This in the past has proved very effective. We will be providing placards but if you want to bring your own message please feel free to do so.

Vigil outside Rolls Royce Raynesway Derby 4pm 6th August

At 4pm Nottingham CND, together with peace activists throughout Derbyshire and the East Midlands, will gather outside Rolls Royce Raynesway, Derby to remind the workers there of the devastation caused by Nuclear Weapons. Raynesway is where the nuclear reactors and fuel rods are made, which power Trident. We will be catching the bus from Nottingham around 3pm. Please contact me for exact details.

Hiroshima-Nagasaki Day Commemorative Social, Sat 8th August, 7pm, Sumac Centre

Gladstone Street, Forest Fields. A social evening to include a session from the Ragged Ramblers jazz/swing band, followed by readings, poetry and singing from Pauline and Yvonne and Bronwyn Westacott and friends. The evening will finish with classical music played by Dale on his guitar. Please do try your best to come. If you feel you would like to participate in the event with a reading, poem, song or piece of music, let us know. The bar will be open for drinks etc.

Stall Dates Nottingham - August 8th 11.30 - 2pm

Nottingham - September 12th 11.30 - 2pm Nottingham - October 31st 11.30 - 2pm Sherwood - November 7th 11.00 - 1.30pm Nottingham - December 5th 11.30 - 2pm

Green Festival This year the weather was wonderful and we managed to attract enough people to have no items left on the tombola. Thank you for all the help that was given on the day and for all the donations. Just to say if people want a tombola next year I do need donations.

Jean Todd It is with great sadness that we must report one of our longstanding members of CND passed away earlier this month following an illness. She often joined us for the vigils, green festivals and our trips to Aldermaston. She very kindly asked for some of the donations, instead of flowers for her funeral, to be given to Nottingham CND.

Mike Mathews, for many years a leading member of Chesterfield CND, has passed away. He is survived by his wife Lesley, to whom we give our warmest best wishes. Their practical and creative skills enhanced many East Midlands peace campaigns, and the 'leaning spire' emblem banner was a well-known feature at gatherings and demonstrations.

I do hope you can make some of these events and thank you for your continuing support. My phone number is 0115 9812034, and I have call minder.

Yours in Peace Diane Lunzer (Secretary)