

# Nottingham CND Newsletter October - December 2011

## White Poppies

Yes - the time of year has come round again when Nottingham CND will hope to be getting donations for white poppies. This year the money collected will be going to the Nottingham Refugee Centre for their Destitution Fund, as well as to the Peace Pledge Union. I have bought 300 poppies, and have about 50 left over, so if you know of any places which might take some please let us know and, if possible, take them round. Thank you. The outlets we have up to now are: The Alley Café, Broadway Cinema, Roots and The Crocus Café, as well as having our stall out in Nottingham and Sherwood. If you know of anybody who wants a poppy and who cannot get to these places please let me know.

## Nottingham CND AGM - Saturday 12th November

The AGM will be at Cawley House, which is at the bottom of Cliff Road, from 11am. We will have feedback on this year's activities and discussing how best we can promote Nottingham CND to get more people involved, and to get some fresh ideas on local campaigning. We will also be having refreshments, and Jeremy's slide show which is always worth seeing. The AGM this year is being followed by the East Midlands CND Coordinating meeting, which you are most welcome to attend. As usual we will elect the new committee so please feel free to stand. Many thanks to all of the present committee - I have appreciated all your help. Please note I am prepared to carry on for another year but this time next year I will be standing down. Please do try your best to attend, the bus service to Nottingham on Saturdays is very good, I don't really enjoy talking to myself much!!

## Stall Dates

- \* October 29th outside The Council House, Nottingham from 11.30 (white poppies)
- \* November 5th outside the Co-Op in Sherwood from 10.30 (white poppies)
- \* December 10th outside Council House Nottingham from 11.30

Please contact me if you can help out on any stall, even if it is for only half an hour. I especially need help for the October and November stalls as we will be promoting the white poppies as well. I cannot make the November stall as I am working - so if anybody can take responsibility for the stall and the white poppies for that date, it will be most appreciated - thanks. Please feel free to contact me on 0115 9812034 or email me on [d.h.lunz@btopenworld.com](mailto:d.h.lunz@btopenworld.com)

## End of Year Vigil Saturday 31st December at 4pm

This is, at the moment, a provisional date and time - so if you feel it is inappropriate, please let me know. I cannot make 12.30 on that day as I will be working, but if people feel that is a better time, let us know.

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## Other Dates for the Diary

### **Nottingham Amnesty Group**

The initial meeting for Amnesty in Nottingham is being held at Nottingham Contemporary on 27th October at 7.30pm. It would be good to get a number of members of CND along and to take the white poppies.

### **Raynesway Demonstration in Derby**

The last demonstration for this year outside of Raynesway in Derby will be on Monday October 24th, which is United Nations Day, and will be from 3pm till 5pm.

### **Nottingham City of Sanctuary**

Sorry, but by the time you receive this newsletter the meeting on 12th October will have taken place - however it is important to note that Nottingham hopes to be recognised as an official City of Sanctuary in 2012 and will be making people whose lives are in danger from their own countries feel welcome. If you would like to become involved in the group please contact Jonathan Silvey on 0115 9198241.

### **East Midlands Vegan Festival**

Many of you will remember this event in Nottingham in previous years. Co-organiser David Otieno tells us it is being revived but moved to Derby. He says 'To this end, we have acquired the use of the assembly rooms, a fantastic location right in the city centre (on the main square), with a capacity of over 200, and now we are taking bookings from stall holders. The event is on Saturday the 5th of November. The venue will be open to stallholders from 09:00 to 19:00, and to the public from 11:00 to 17:00. More information can be found on the event website:

(<http://www.tinyurl.com/compassionatederby>) including how to find the venue by road and by public transport.'

A CND stall will be present, we hope. If you'd like to assist contact Diane on 0115 9812034 or email on [d.h.lunz@btopenworld.com](mailto:d.h.lunz@btopenworld.com).

I do hope to see you at least one of the events, and thank you for all your support in the past. I do know that for some of our members it is difficult to get out - but I do know that your commitment to nuclear disarmament has not diminished. If you can help in any way please contact me on 0115 9812034 or email me on [d.h.lunz@btopenworld.com](mailto:d.h.lunz@btopenworld.com)

Yours in peace

Diane, Nottingham CND Secretary