SALISBURY CAMPAIGN FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

Report on Events and Activities - from June 2018 to May 2019

For more information on events over the past year, go to <u>www.cndsalisbury.org.uk</u>

11th June 2018 - CND Symbol Tour - Stonehenge (and Sarum College, see next item below)

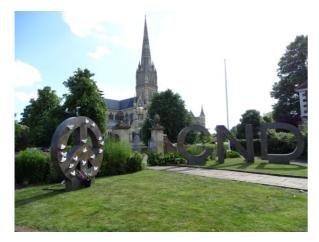
The three dimensional symbol that National CND commissioned to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the founding of CND came to Stonehenge and Salisbury, making a great impact on those who saw it.





14th June 2018 - Kate Hudson, Vigil for Peace & Justice, Salisbury CND AGM - Sarum College

Kate Hudson, General Secretary of National CND, was our speaker on 14th June, talking about the priorities for the movement in the coming years. It was a very special evening, starting with a Vigil for Peace to mark the recent UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. This was held in front of the College, with a striking backdrop of the giant CND symbol and Salisbury Cathedral.





28th July 2018 - Market Stall - The Maltings

This was once again a good opportunity to meet people and raise awareness of CND, as well is generating some funds.

6th August 2018 - Hiroshima Candle Float - Fisherton Bridge, Salisbury

The Candle Float was, as always, a very special occasion. As the light faded, hundreds of candles floated gently down the river in memory of all the victims of nuclear weapons.



30th March 2019 - Southern Region CND meeting - Quaker Meeting House, Salisbury

It was Salisbury's turn to host the SRCND meeting. Lindsey Holbrook talked about his training and experiences as a teacher running National CND's Peace Education lessons. It was a very interesting and engaging talk.

31st May onwards, 2019 - Salisbury Arts Festival - Various venues

The festival this year had a great many events with a nuclear theme. Salisbury CND prepared an exhibition table as a contribution to the **Our Fragile Home - A Festival of Ideas.** An information leaflet was prepared by Salisbury CND and some 450 copies were distributed by the Festival organisers. The Festival organisers also offered a series of significant ticket discounts to CND members for relevant events. Our thanks to them for their friendly co-operation.



COMMUNICATIONS

Our **e-mailing list** has been busy all year, keeping members in touch with national and international events connected to nuclear disarmament and many other matters. Our thanks go to Peter Wicks for collating and forwarding all this information. (If you would like to join this e-mailing list, please let us know!). Sadly, Peter Wicks is standing down due to illness but we will endeavour to continue e-mailing information to you.

Newsletters by Email

Many of our members now receive their newsletters by email. Let us have your email address if you would like to receive the Newsletter by email – it does help save paper and postage costs.

PRESS OFFICER'S REPORT - by Tim Sedgwick-Jell

In the last year no fewer than 8 Press Releases have been issued with a further 2 feature articles (with archive photos) written for Valley News.

The Salisbury Journal sent its own photographer both to the Vigil that preceded last year's AGM and to the Candle Float. They then used their own text which made my words redundant. I did, however, get an article on the symbol tour published both in the Journal and Valley News

President Trump's outrages prompted 2 releases, on his withdrawal from the INF Treaty (published on the Valley News website, with a quote from Loppy) and on the "low yield" missiles to be used in US submarines, also on Valley News's website.

The Dean of Westminster Abbey's decision to host a "thanksgiving" service for submarine warfare also needed a Press Release again on the same website.

April's meeting of Southern Region CND, held in Salisbury, enable me to send the story to local media, plus to the Southampton Echo and to the Oxford Mail. Valley News put it in their print edition, sadly without Peter G's excellent photo of the event.

The release on the forthcoming Candle Float as well as being printed in the Journal, led to my being interviewed on BBC Radio Wiltshire.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT for 2019 - by Peter Gloyns

In 2018/2019, we had 36 paid-up members. For those who haven't yet renewed their subscription for 2019, it would be great if they could do so! For those who have already renewed, many thanks. Renewal forms are on our website under the **Resources** tab.

Do remember to check our website and Facebook page regularly

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