# Network for Peace

# Continuing the work of the National Peace Council

November 2025



Now is the time to get your 2026 events in. It's never too early even if your plans are still at the very early stage.

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and I will send you a form (or you can download one from the website). If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please let me know. If you are not renewing, please let me know.

Thank you for your continuing support.

In peace

Claire Poyner, Co-ordinator

## **Events**

#### 1 – 15 November

BRIDGEWATER. White Poppy exhibit. Hosted by Bridgwater Peace Group. White poppies will be available for visitors to take away and accompanying information leaflets will be provided to explain their message of remembrance for all victims of war and commitment to peace. Bridgwater Library Binford Pl, Bridgwater TA6 3LF. thebridgwaterpeacegroup@gmail.com

#### 2 November

LONDON. Concert for Peace. Musicians for Peace and Disarmament returns to Lauderdale House with artists who regularly perform for MPD to present a programme full of joy and optimism including chamber works by Beethoven, Schubert and Carl Nielsen. 3pm. Lauderdale House, Waterlow Park, Highgate Hill, N6 5HG. Standard £20 Concession (Over 65s, Students, Unwaged) £15. Book: https://www.lauderdalehouse.org.uk/whats-on/autumn-concert-for-peace

#### 8 November

**LEYTONSTONE**. The Housing Scandal: What to do about it. We'll look at many aspects of the appalling current failure to

# Network for Peace still needs bodies!

We still need some people to join the Exec. There's not a lot needed to do other than being a general advisor (is X a good idea, why not try Y as well, etc). Thank you to Nik from Housmans who has agreed to be a bank signatory, we could do with one more person. Contact me on mail@networkforpeace.org.uk

ensure that everyone has a decent place to live. Speakers have been invited from the London Renters Union, Advisory Service for Squatters, Residents Assns., Pavement, DOPE & Big Issue magazines, Action on Empty Homes, Housing Action Groups, Social Housing Action Campaign, & Butterfields Won't Budge/Focus E15 campaigns. They will discuss how they are trying, & have tried, to do something serious & bold about it. St John's Church Hall, High Road, E11 1HH. 7.30pm Buffet (please bring an item if you can: vegetarian or vegan only). 8.00pm Talk and discussion. You can email to confirm the talk will be as shown roskane@btinternet.com Open to all; no booking, just turn up. https://newsfromnowhereweb.wordpress.com/

LONDON. sBourgeois Coldness: Henrike Kohpeiß in conversation with Lilly Markaki. Housmans is delighted to welcome an incredibly exciting scholar, Henrike Kohpeiß, to the shop to launch the new English translation of her book Bourgeois Coldness. £4 £13.99 with book. 7pm. Housmans Bookshop, 5 Caledonian Road. https://tinyurl.com/2jd3vmr7

#### 9 November

BRISTOL. Remembrance Sunday Silent Vigil. Quakers and others will hold a silent vigil for Remembrance Sunday to remember all victims of war and catastrophic climate change. The vigil will take place by the Cascade Steps in Bristol between 1:30 and 2:30pm. White poppies will be available to take or in exchange for a donation. Some participants will wear both a red and a white poppy to show remembrance for all victims of war.

**EDINBURGH.** Alternative Remembrance Day. Event at 1:30pm at the Quaker Meeting House, 7 Victoria Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2JL. Contact@peaceand-

justice.org.uk

https://www.peaceandjustice.org.uk LEAMINGTON SPA. The 10th White Poppy Ceremony will be held at the War Memorial in Leamington Spa [opposite Pizza Express] at 2pm. All welcome. LONDON. All are warmly invited to Movement for the Abolition of War's Remembrance Lecture 2025: 'Ending Wars'. Is it possible that out of the immediate worldwide crises of war and climate catastrophe a new approach can be fashioned to deal with our deepest differences? Speaker: Lord John Alderdice, Founding Director of the Oxford Centre for the Resolution of Intractable Conflict and co-editor of 'Ending Wars' published August 2025. The lecture will be preceded by MAW's Annual General Meeting 2025 starting at 1.30pm, also at Hamilton House. 3pm at Hamilton House, Mabledon Place, London WC1H 9BD (between St Pancras Station & Tavistock Square). For free tickets and more information visit www.abolishwar.net or email info@abolishwar.org.uk LONDON. National Alternative

Remembrance Ceremony. This annual event happens in front of the memorial stone for conscientious objectors. We will observe two minutes' silence and white poppy wreaths will be laid on the memorial in memory of all victims of war, both civilian and military, of all nationalities. With speakers including: - Sir Mark Rylance - Oscar-winning actor, director, playwright, peace campaigner and PPU member. - Rachel Taylor from Every Casualty Counts, an international charity dedicated to ensuring every life lost in armed conflict is recognised. 12noon. Tavistock Square. https://www.ppu.org.uk/events

**NORWICH**. Remembrance Ceremony. Norwich Quakers and members of peace

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and community groups will gather on to lay a wreath of white and red poppies in remembrance of all victims of war, followed by a bring and share lunch at the Quaker Meeting House. 1pm at Peace Memorial (behind the War Memorial), opposite Norwich City Hall, followed by lunch at Norwich Quaker Meeting House, Upper Goat Lane, NR2 1EW

**UXBRIDGE**. Alternative Remembrance ceremony at the Peace Memorial, 30 Windsor Street, Uxbridge, UB8 1AB, at 11:30a.m.

WOKINGHAM. A quiet pacifist Remembrance vigil will be held in Howard Palmer Gardens, Wokingham (RG40 2BX) on Sunday 9th November, 12-1pm. The gardens lie alongside Cock Pit Path between Denton Road and Langborough Road, Wokingham.

#### 10 - 21 November

**BELEM**, Brazil. COP 2025. Expect events around the world to draw attention to this conference and the climate emergency. https://unfccc.int/cop30

#### 11 November

**COUNTRYWIDE**. Remembrance Day. Nearest Sunday is Remembrance Sunday.

#### 14 November

LONDON. Autonomy Now present 'Love and Revolution: A Politics for the Deep Commons' with Matt York. Based on award-winning research, Love and Revolution (Manchester University Press, Contemporary Anarchist Studies series, 2025) brings classical and contemporary anarchist thought into a mutually beneficial dialogue with a global cross-section of ecological, anti-capitalist, feminist and antiracist activists - discussing real-life examples of the loving-caring relations that underpin many contemporary struggles. Free £25 with book. 7pm. Housmans Bookshop, 5 Caledonian Road. https://tinyurl.com/4pxdk8ts

#### 15 November

GLASGOW. Scottish CND AGM. With guest speakers Florian Eblenkamp, ICAN, Advocacy Officer; Professor Karen Bell, University of Glasgow; Rob Edwards, The Ferret; and Laura Pidcock, Declassified UK. 10 -4 at Renfield Centre, 260 Bath Street, Glasgow G2 4JP. Contact scnd@banthebomb.org with any queries.

#### 22 November

**LONDON**. 'Stop British nuclear expansion: how to reverse the government'. 10.30 – 5pm at The Green House, Ethical Property, 244 – 254 Cambridge Heath Road, London E2 9DA. https://cnduk.org/events/no-to-war-no-to-british-nuclear-expansion-invest-in-saving-lives-not-destroying-them-cnd-conference/

#### 24 November

**LONDON**. The First Jasmines by Saima Begum. Housmans and Hajar Press are delighted to celebrate the launch of this important, magnificent novel. Saima

Begum's The First Jasmines follows two sisters, Lucky and Jamila, after they are captured by the military while on the way to visit their mother in what was then called East Pakistan, in 1971. £4, £12.50 inc book. 7pm Housmans Bookshop, 5 Caledonian Road. https://tinyurl.com/2unt9d9a

#### 25 November

**WORLDWIDE**. International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. http://www.unwomen.org/en

#### 29 November

**WORLDWIDE**. International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. https://www.un.org/en/observances/international-day-of-solidarity-with-the-palestinian-people

**SHIPLEY**. Yorkshire CND Peace & Crafts Fair. Stall bookings available from late May. 10-4. Victoria Hall, Victoria Rd, Saltaire, Shipley BD18 3JS.

#### 1 December

**EVERYWHERE**. Prisoners for Peace Day. http://www.wri-irg.org/co/01dec.htm

#### 10 December

WORLDWIDE. Human Rights Day. The Day marks the anniversary of the Assembly's adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948. https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day

#### 13 December

LEYTONSTONE. CLR James: An Unexpected Life. Speaker: John L. Williams. John will be talking about his biography of the great Trinidadian historian, radical & cricket-lover: CLR James. His book brings this extraordinary 20th century life into brilliant focus as it moves from Trinidad to London to Lancashire to the USA & back again. See 8 November for time and venue. https://newsfromnowhereweb.wordpress.com/

#### 28 February 2026

KINGS LYNN. 'Stop British Nuke Jets' – national demonstration at RAF Marham. The government has announced it is buying 12 nuclear-capable fighter jets. This is a significant expansion of its nuclear capabilities, meaning that Britain will be able to launch nuclear weapons from both the sea and sky. Join us at Marham to say loud and clear we want to stop this nuclear expansion and scrap Britain's nuclear weapons altogether. Assemble at RAF Marham, Upper Marham, King's Lynn PE33 9NP. More information to follow, but in the meantime please contact information@cnduk.org or 020 7700 2393 with any queries.

#### 1 – 6 April 2026

**LAKENHEATH**. Save the dates for the next Lakenheath Action for Peace peace camp – April 1st-6th. More information available soon – sign up here for updates: https://lakenheathallianceforpeace.org.uk/info@lakenheathallianceforpeace.org.uk with any queries.

# **Regular events**

Weekly, monthly events in UK

Second full weekend of every month ALDERMASTON. Aldermaston Women's Peace Camp(aign) Second full weekend of every month. Women welcome to join us in protesting at the UK's nuclear weapons factory. Camp or visit for the day. 07946676761 or on Facebook.

#### Every Friday.

Brighton. Women in Black vigil 1-2pm at War Memorial, Old Steine, Brighton brightonwib@11qp.co.uk

#### First Tuesday of the month

Brighton, Hove and District Branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom hold regular monthly meetings from 10.30am till 12.00.

We also have a zoom meeting on the same evening of the same day for those unable to get to the morning meeting. Contact brighton-wib@11qp.co.uk

#### **Every Wednesday**

**LONDON**. Women in Black Silent vigil against militarism and war. 6-7pm Edith Cavell Statue, St Martin's Place, London WC2. womeninblack.london

#### **Every Friday**

LONDON. No More Fukushimas! Weekly vigil, 10am-12.30pm, outside the Japanese Embassy 101-104 Piccadilly, W1, in solidarity with Japanese anti-nuclear protestors. Organised by Kick Nuclear, and Japanese Against Nuclear UK. Held every Friday since August 2102. Info David, 020 7607 2302 or www.januk.org

#### **Every Tuesday**

MENWITH HILL. Witness and protest Tuesday evenings at the Nessfield Gate of the Menwith Hill surveillance base, from 6pm to 7.30pm. https://theMHAC.uk Contact Sarah Swift for further details sswift64@gmail.com or ring 07902173148.

### First Saturday of every month

**NORWICH**. Vigil for Peace.12noon. Outside St. Peter Mancroft Chantry Rd, NR2 1QZ.

#### Third Thursday each month

**Online**. London CAAT meetings. 6.30pm.Info: email londoncaat@riseup.net.

#### **Christian CND Prayer Meetings**

CCND gather twice a month on Zoom to prayer together.

See https://christiancnd.org.uk/events/

#### **Christian CND Monthly Webinars**

First Tuesday of the month 7.30pm GMT, link here: https://christiancnd.org.uk/events/

Let us know if you have any event not listed here.

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