# Network for Peace

# Continuing the work of the National Peace Council

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Season's greetings, all. Hope everyone is trying to remain positive, it looks like 2025 will be 'interesting' to say the least.

This issue is shorter than usual. Get get your events in early — avoid clashes (as much as possible).

If there is a sub renewal letter with this newsletter, please make sure the person who pays the bills gets it.

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Thank you for your continuing support.

In peace

Claire Poyner, Co-ordinator

## **News**

## Housmans Peace Diary - two left

I have two copies Housmans Peace Diary left in the office. These are donated in lieu of Housman's sub to NfP. If you want to order **one** copy from NfP please send a cheque made out to Network for Peace, for £9.95 (includes p&p) and post to NfP. Or make a donation of £9.95 at:

http://www.networkforpeace.org.uk/donate and send

an email to mail@networkforpeace.org.uk with your order, including a postal address. First come, first served! Thank you to those who have helpf NfP finances by buying a copy.

Larger quantities from Housman's Bookshop at: https://housmans.com/peace-diary/

## **Events**

## 28 December

ONLINE. Join Christian CND and Anglican Pacifists Fellowship for an online meeting as we remember the children killed by Herod and reflect on the suffering of children today caused by worldly rulers. We will focus on those impacted by nuclear weapons—through their use, testing, and the psychological effects of their continued threat—drawing on insights from ICAN's recent report. As we gather during the Christmas season, we will also share a message of hope, looking forward to the new year. Register via web: https://christianc-nd.org.uk/events/

LAKENHEATH. The Lakenheath Alliance for Peace is organising monthly vigils to continue to highlight that we don't want US nuclear weapons returning to Britain. Join us at the main gate of RAF Lakenheath between 12noon and 2pm on the last Saturday of every month. Contact vigils@lakenheathallianceforpeace.org.uk for more information.

## 1 January 2025

**WORLDWIDE**. Pause for Peace Worldwide. Join us at midnight, local time,

wherever you are in the World, to sit in silent vigil for World peace. Whether it is for an hour or for ten minutes in the hour after midnight. There will be a chain of goodwill and prayer as Midnight travels its way around the World.

**WORLDWIDE**. World Day of Prayer for Peace, especially in the Catholic tradition. https://paxchristi.org.uk/calendar/

## 7 January

BRIGHTON. WILPF Brighton and Hove meeting. The 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 on the first Tuesday of the month. We also have a zoom meeting at 7pm on the same evening of the same day for those unable to get to the morning meeting. Jubilee Library. Contact: brightonwib@11qp.co.uk

## 18 January

HUDDERSFIELD. Yorkshire CND AGM. The day will include a talk/workshop, open to the public, led by Salena Barry from Stop Killer Robots. The session will be a great opportunity to learn about how we could apply their digital communication strategies

to our own campaign work, which will be especially important in our work to raise awareness about 2025 marking 80 years since the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, alongside learning more about their important campaign. 1-4pm. Brian Jackson House 2 New North Parade HD1 5JP. In order to attend the AGM, or put yourself forward for a position, you must be a Yorkshire CND member. Join here: https://app.joinit.com/o/yorkshire-cnd/For any general queries please contact info@yorkshirecnd.org.uk

LONDON. 'End the genocide in Gaza' – national demonstration for Palestine. Assemble at 12 noon outside the BBC in Portland Place, central London. For any queries please email information@cnduk.org or phone the CND office on 020 7700 2393.

## 19 January

**COUNTRYWIDE**. Peace Sunday. https://paxchristi.org.uk/calendar/action~oneday/exact\_date~19-1-2025/

## 22 January

**CAMBRIDGE**. Peace Not War. Join Cambridge CND and others for this public

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meeting to discuss why we must all be working to reduce current nuclear tension in the world. With guest speakers Sophie Bolt, CND General Secretary; Andrew Murray, Stop the War Deputy President; Lesley Grahame, Lakenheath Alliance for Peace; and Councillor Elliot Tong, Green Party. 6.30 – 8.30 at Friends Meeting House, 12 Jesus Lane CB5 8BA. Info: cndcambridge@gmail.com

#### 25 January

GLASGOW. Scottish CND Burns Peace Poetry Fundraiser. Scottish CND's Burns Poetry Fundraiser is back for 2025. An afternoon of wholesome and uplifting poetry. 1pm at Quaker Meeting House, Glasgow, G2 4PS. 0141 357 1529 or email scnd@banthebomb.org with any queries https://www.banthebomb.org/

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## 27 January

**EVERYWHERE**. Holocaust Memorial Day. https://www.hmd.org.uk/

#### 5 March

**WORLDWIDE**. International Day for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Awareness. A day to seeks to promote better awareness and understanding of disarmament issues among the public, especially young people.

https://www.un.org/en/observances/disarmament-non-proliferation-awareness-day

## 8 March

**EVERYWHERE**. International Women's Day. https://www.internationalwomens-day.com/

## 11 March

**EVERYWHERE**. Fukushima Day. https://kicknuclear.com/

## 21 March

**WORLDWIDE**. International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. https://www.un.org/en/observances/endracism-day

## 14 - 25 April 2025

**LAKENHEATH**. Lakenheath Alliance for Peace peace camp. Contact lap@gn.apc.org https://cnduk.org/events/lakenheath-alliance-for-peace-peace-camp/

## 22 April

**WORLDWIDE**. Earth Day. Visit the official Earth Day site to learn about the world's largest environmental movement. https://www.earthday.org/

## 26 April

**WORLDWIDE**. Chernobyl Day. https://www.un.org/en/observances/ chernobyl-remembrance-day

## 15 May

**EVERYWHERE**. International

Conscientious Objector's Day. https://www.ppu.org.uk/

#### 24 May

**WORLDWIDE**. International Women's Day for Disarmament. https://www.womenpeacemakersprogram.org/

#### 4 June

**WORLDWIDE**. International Day for Children as victims of war. https://www.un.org/en/observances/child-victim-day

#### 20 June

**WORLDWIDE**. World Refugee Day. https://www.un.org/en/observances/refugee-day

Week covering World Refugee Day: World Refugee Week. http://refugeeweek.org.uk/

#### 26 Jun

**WORLDWIDE**. International Day in Support of Victims of Torture. https://www.un.org/en/observances/torture-victims-day

#### 6 August

WORLDWIDE. Hiroshima Day.

#### 9 August

**WORLDWIDE**. Nagasaki Day. **WORLDWIDE**. Anniversary of the execution of Franz Jägerstätter

## 21 September

**WORLDWIDE**. International Day of Peace. https://www.un.org/en/observances/international-day-peace

## 26 September

**WORLDWIDE**. The International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons. https://www.un.org/en/observances/nucle ar-weapons-elimination-day

## 2 October

**WORLDWIDE**. International Day of Nonviolence. https://www.un.org/en/observances/on-violence-day

## 10 October

**EVERYWHERE**. Anniversary of the 1957 Windscale Fire.

**3rd Week in October (usually) COUNTRYWIDE**. Week of Prayer for World Peace. https://weekofprayerforworldpeace.co.uk/

## 24 October

**WORLDWIDE**. United Nations Day. https://www.un.org/en/observances/unday

## 24 - 30 October

**EVERYWHERE**. Disarmament Week. https://www.un.org/en/observances/disarmament-week

## 11 November

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

## 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

## 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

## **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 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, London 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.

Let us know if you have any event not listed here. mail@networkforpeace.org.uk