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# Windscale

...they *said* it was safe

# Harrisburg

...they *said* it was safe

# Chernobyl

...they said it was safe

# **Fukushima**

...they *said* it was safe

# Wylfa, Hinkley, Oldbury...

...they say they're safe

That's OK then



### heddwch

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# **Rugby Club Ducks Gaddafi Link**

Over 100 campaigners, led by 48 year old retired ex-serviceman Jonathan Williams have signed and sent an open letter to Newbridge Rugby Football Club President Michael Miles and Chair Idris McCarthy, calling on them to reconsider their acceptance of the Club's sponsorship by US arms company General Dynamics.

The General Dynamics factory in Oakdale, Newbridge (Gwent) manufactures and supplies military communications equipment to the Libyan Government following an £85million deal in 2008. This sophisticated equipment helped provide a secure communications net for the Libyan security forces before as we were told, it was destroyed by NATO forces.

Local supporters of Newbridge RFC might be dismayed and embarrassed to learn that

General Dynamics sponsorship, advertised on the stadium and on the kit of junior teams, promotes the services of a company implicated in the killing of innocent men, women and children.



On being alerted to the situation, and in only 24 hours, over 100 signatures were rapidly added to Mr Williams' letter by concerned people all over Wales. Many, already sickened by news reports from Libya showing the devastation being caused by the Libyan authorities were disgusted to think that a superb Welsh rugby club such as Newbridge could be taking money from a company which had supplied the equipment to facilitate the killing of ordinary people. Signatories to the letter, which respectfully asked Newbridge RFC to reconsider



their association with General Dynamics, included academics, artists, politicians and political activists.

#### Ruck

Jonathan Williams said that he was concerned that such a connection brought 'shame on both the community of Newbridge and the people of Wales'. A spokesperson for CND Cymru commented: 'We stand along side the ordinary people of Libya and are ashamed that people here may have inadvertently contributed

to their misery. Wales should stand up and lead the way to looking at conflict and the world in a different way and should certainly not benefit from and contribute to 'war machine' profits.' 'We want a full and open debate about the implications of such developments in Wales.' When military equipment is sold to other countries, it seems that no one asks the question 'against whom will this be used?'.

At time of going to print, no reply had been received from Messrs. Miles and McCarthy. Perhaps next time they will think more carefully about their sponsors.

Full text of the letter can be seen on the CND Cymru website

# Libya stop the bombing

CND Cymru regrets the British Government's decision to pursue military intervention for regime change in Libya and opposes the current attacks.

CND Cymru supports diplomatic and political methods to resolve the conflict and an outcome determined by the Libyan people themselves.

The lessons of the last decade's interventionist wars have not been learned: military intervention is not the answer to the just demands of the Libyan people for freedom and democracy.



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There are 144 nuclear weapons deployed on Trident submarines based at Faslane. One of these vessels is at sea ready to fire its missiles at all times.

# Cut Trident not Jobs! - A Cut to Call

Government plans to force through devastating cuts in public services will hit the poorest the hardest, destroy the welfare state and worsen the economic crisis. There is an alternative. Scrapping Trident and cancelling its replacement would save over £100 billion! As it makes cuts in public expenditure, the British Government is happy to continue to maintain and deploy its hideous weapons of mass destruction – Trident at a cost (and rising) of

The British Government is even now quietly spending and planning to spend further £billions of our money on developing an updated nuclear weapons replacement for Trident yet tells us that the final 'Main Gate' decision whether to go ahead replace Trident wouldn't need to be made until 2016.

#### **Abuse of Democracy**

At the beginning of February, Defence Secretary Liam Fox confirmed that the coalition government will be going ahead and starting the process of Trident replacement regardless of parliamentary approval 'so that the first boat can be delivered by 2028'. This go-ahead locks the government into a binding contract with a private company; committing the

expenditure beyond recall and representing a  $\,$  and highly dangerous virility symbol. commitment to expenditure well beyond the period of the current Comprehensive Spending Review. It would make any 'decision' following parliamentary debate in 2016 simply a 'rubber stamp' exercise.

#### Aldermaston

AWE Aldermaston investment expenditure in 2005 was £350 million per year. It is now over £1 billion per year. All this expenditure has by-passed public or parliamentary scrutiny while public spending programmes face detailed scrutiny, threats and cuts. [1]

#### **Ignorance**

There is unanimity among Labour, Lib-Dems and Tories to spend a fortune on new nuclear weapons which are no more than a deadly

Nuclear weapons can indiscriminately kill millions, perhaps billions of people and destroy environments. In the ultimate insult to human intelligence and ingenuity; the intelligence and knowledge needed to build them, as well as any human empathy and compassion have to be forgotten when threatening to use them.

#### Let them know

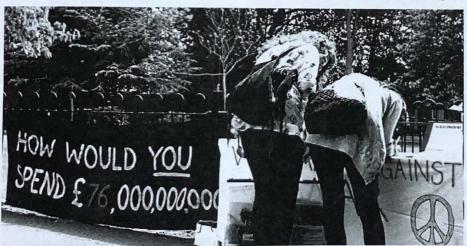
It is obvious that when looking for public spending cuts, overseas wars, war preparations and WMD should top the list. We must point this out - and the possibilities of nuclear disarmament - and point them out loudly.

We hope that you will take action – whether writing letters from your armchair or desk to getting out on the streets at demonstrations against cuts in public spending and speaking truth to power.

At any cost - nuclear weapons are immoral and a waste of money. Cut Trident, not jobs and public services.

[1] AWE Spending on capital programmes has risen from £24m in 2000/1 www.tinyurl.com/6b76v3o to £420m in 2009-10 www.tinyurl.com/6bc8gm5 The new Enriched Uranium Handling Facility

was given planning permission by West Berkshire Council in 2010 despite over 1400 objections. www.nuclearinfo.org/node/2122



Trident is an obscene, costly and unnecessary weapon - we need to scrap it, not replace it.

#### 1. Write to your MP

(House of Commons London SW1A 0AA or use www.writetothem.com)

Use information from the piece above:

\* Ask them to demand a review of the decision to delay the Trident Replacement debate - including the possibility of not replacing it at all.

\* Request that they sign Early Day Motion 909 (Trident Replacement) and EDM 1477 (Trident Submarine Proposals). (See www.cndcymru.org for more information.)

#### 2. Stop the Cuts Rallies/Meetings and Demonstrations

Cut Trident not Jobs! Be there -bilingual leaflets, stickers and placards (without sticks) are available. Ask to be kept in touch with any events in your area. Contact CND Cymru or see the website. Scrapping nuclear weapons would save the taxpayer over £100 billion. Investment in the development of tidal or wave energy production and other forms of sustainable energy, would provide alternative employment for defence workers and create tens of thousands of new jobs. Environmentally sustainable jobs would help achieve carbon emission targets and the TUC commitment to the creation of 1 million climate jobs.

#### 3. Collect signatures on the British **CND Petition**

'No Trident Replacement - Yes to a Nuclear Weapons Convention' which can be downloaded from www.cnduk.org.

#### 4. CND Cymru 'Cut Trident' leaflets

- to distribute anywhere or leave in libraries, hospital or doctors' waiting rooms or other public places can be downloaded from www.cndcymru.org or contact us for copies.

#### 5. Stickers to use as badges

on demonstrations, on envelopes or elsewhere are available for 50 pence a sheet and/or donation. Contact CND Cymru.

# Turning Appreciation into Support

In November 1984, Helen Woodson along with Larry Cloud-Morgan, Fr. Carl Kabat OMI and Fr. Paul Kabat OMI was part of the US Silo Pruning Hooks action at a Missouri nuclear missile silo. The 'Silo Pruning Hooks' group were following the biblical mandate of Isaiah to 'turn swords into ploughshares'. All were sent to prison, where Helen has been ever since.

After 27 years she is looking forward to her scheduled release in September. Now 67 and with health problems, she has decided to retire from activities that might return her to prison.

Many thousands around the world have been arrested for anti-nuclear civil disobedience, and hundreds have spent time in prison for these actions. None (not even Israeli nuclear whistleblower Mordechai Vanunu) has spent more time in prison than Helen Woodson.

She will leave prison with virtually nothing. Her friends are raising funds on her behalf and have asked us to join in providing her with needed support.



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Cheques and money orders made payable to 'The Nuclear Resister' (write 'for Helen' on the back) to The Nuclear Resister, PO Box 43383, Tucson, AZ 85733 USA. Online donations at <a href="https://www.nukeresister.org">www.nukeresister.org</a> (on final screen click 'add special instructions to the seller' & note that the donation is for Helen).

# As at Aldermaston so at Albuquerque

Readers were probably aware that the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (1996) means business as usual for nuclear weapons testing.

Recent nuclear tests create no mushroom cloud as in the days of atmospheric testing, or seismographic mayhem that was a telltale sign of underground tests of yore. Weapons testing today involves bombarding small plutonium samples with high energy X-rays.

A press release for a March 2011 test at 'Sandia' laboratory in Albuquerque USA explained that: 'controlled radiation or magnetic pressure creates conditions on a small scale similar to those caused by the detonation of nuclear weapons, which is why from its earliest days pulsed power has been used to study weapons effects.'

This is one way that the US Government maintains and upgrades its nuclear arsenal. Upgrading and testing work at weapons laboratories including Sandia, Los Alamos and Lawrence Livermore is now taking place for the modernisation of the US nuclear arsenal.

Meanwhile in England, AWE Aldermaston and Burghfield are undergoing a massive building programme for the design, testing and manufacture of a new generation of British nuclear warheads. These include the new 'Orion' laser and the Gemini office complex; a massive supercomputer for the design of new warheads and facilities for High Explosives Fabrication and Warhead Assembly. 1,500 new staff, including specialist warhead engineers, have been recruited. New buildings, including a new Uranium Enrichment Facility, are envisaged in the Site Development Strategy Plan. The Government has continued to claim that they have yet to finally decide whether or not to replace the current warhead system. The building work at Aldermaston is just one reason why many believe that this decision has already been made.

### Hiroshima and Nagasaki -Never Again

**Japanese Nuclear Weapons Campaign** Gensuikyo has launched a new petition in support of the 'Appeal for a Total Ban on Nuclear Weapons'. Based on the outcome of the 2010 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Conference, it calls on all states to start negotiations on a convention to ban nuclear weapons. Ban Ki Moon has voiced his support for the Gensuikyo initiative he said 'I hope that people everywhere will add their voice to the rising chorus calling for the start of negotiations. One day, we will rid the world of nuclear weapons. And when we do, it will be because of people like you.' In October 2008, Ban Ki Moon proposed a 5 point proposal on nuclear disarmament, offering a practical approach to the elimination of nuclear weapons, including

support for the idea of a nuclear weapons convention. In 2010 the majority (133) of all member states including China, India and Pakistan and even North Korea voted in support of a Malayan resolution urging the start of negotiations on nuclear disarmament.

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Add your voice, sign the petition

www.antiatom.org/sig-press

Not 'on line'? Contact CND Cymru

(p. 16) with your name & address for a paper copy.

## Romania and NMD

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev has warned that US Missile Defense (NMD) threatens to create a return to Cold-War conditions for the European continent and for US-Russian relations and that he has received no satisfactory guarantees that the missile defense shield is not being 'targeted' at Russia.

President Obama had originally made the 'reset' in relations with Russia a primary goal of his administration. Much to Moscow's satisfaction and following successful protests by the people in Poland and the Czech Republic, Obama had 'scrapped' the Bush plan for missile defense, which included land-based missile systems and sophisticated radar in Central Europe.

This spring, with no debate or discussion in parliament, the Romanian President announced that Romania is to host a \$400 million US Missile Defense Base. Expected to become operational in 2015, between 200 and 500 US troops will be based there.

### **Bravehearts**

Following the Scottish election

result, 10 Trident Ploughshares and Faslane Peace Camp activists in Scotland were arrested for jointly blockading Faslane, shutting down the Trident submarine base for two hours. The activists called for the anti-Trident SNP government to fulfil its commitments and demand immediate disarmament of Trident and a global ban on nuclear weapons. One of the blockaders Janet Fenton said 'Our actions here are not illegal, and are in support of the new Scottish Government. Once again the Scottish people have voted overwhelmingly in opposition to nuclear weapons. This time, there is a clear parliamentary majority for a single party with a manifesto promise to put pressure on the Westminster Government to remove these illegal weapons from Scotland. We are



seeking prompt action from the SNP, a party that has supported our actions in the past.' Scotland has the obligation and the right, under the terms of the Scotland Act, to refuse to be complicit with the possession of Trident. It constitutes a threat to use it, and using it would inevitably kill hundreds of thousands of civilians indiscriminately and cause environmental devastation that would last for thousands of years. This of course is not only illegal, but immoral, wasteful and undemocratic.

CND Cymru has written to Alex Salmond to congratulate him on the announcement that his government will introduce a formal motion at Holyrood demanding that Britain remove Trident from Scotland and will 'explicitly call for Trident to be scrapped'.

### Aberporth: a waste

Meanwhile Parc Aberporth (billed enthusiastically by AMs of all political persuasions as a 'UAV Centre of Excellence') looks increasingly dejected, as grass grows between the paving stones surrounding the industrial units. Following the pull out of Italian UAV company Selex Galileo this spring, only Qinetiq remains, developing the Israeli designed 'Watchkeeper' drone for the MoD to use for 'surveillance' over Afghanistan and elsewhere.

Only one of the taxpayer-financed units – built in 2002 is now in full time use – several have *never* been used. The Assembly has now offered the other business units out 'To Let' to any comers. Unemployment for young people in the area remains high. At least £21 million of our money has been spent on the 'prestigious' Parc Aberporth project; originally aimed at attracting aerospace companies to west Wales. A promotional event 'Pause 11' to which over 100 arms companies had been invited has been cancelled through lack of interest or, as First Minister Carwyn Jones commented 'the economic turndown'.

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### Hunger Strike Jeju Island

On Jeju Island, South Korea, jailed local opponent of a new Korean/U.S. navy base Professor Yang Yoon-Mo has been on hunger strike since 6<sup>th</sup> April when he and other residents of Gangjeong village were arrested for taking direct action to stop the development.

Yang has declared his willingness to fast until death unless plans for the base are abandoned. One protestor, Sung-Hee Choi, was taken into custody in May for simply displaying a banner that read 'Do not touch any stone or any flower.' She has joined with Yang in the hunger strike.

In the United States, Bruce Gagnon of the Global Network against Nuclear Power and Weapons in Space initiated an international support fast in solidarity with Professor Yang and the Korean anti-bases movement.

Up to date information & links: see Bruce's excellent blog space4peace.blogspot.com



### **Epynt Pilgrimage**

Cymdeithas y Cymod will be making a pilgrimage to Mynydd Epynt in commemoration of the civilians killed by unmanned aerial vehicles or 'drones', on 25th June.

Following a service in the ruined Capel Babell, the pilgrimage will visit nearby 'Cilieni', a mock village built by the army for the teaching and practising of fighting people in houses. Civilians killed by drone strikes will be commemorated by writing their names onto 'gravestones' in the mock churchyard.

In an effort to encourage investment in military and possibly civilian development of drones, the Welsh Government is hoping that the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) will grant permission for the testing of drones in the airspace between Epynt and Aberporth on Cardigan Bay. The CAA has not yet given permission despite a public 'consultation' in

2009. Drones used in Afghanistan and Libya are controlled by satellite communication technology thousands of miles away in Nevada USA.

All are welcome to join the pilgrimage to Epynt and to send a clear message to our governments that we do not want war preparations in our country.

#### heddwch#action

t: 01286 830 913

e: cymdeithasycymod@btinternet.com www.cymdeithasycymod.org.uk Meet 2pm, Shoemakers Arms, Pentrebach, Sennybridge

### **Open University**

You wouldn't dare make it up. Open University, one of the Metrix consortium along with various arms companies, which had hoped to run the proposed £14billion St Athan Military College (before it was shelved last year) is now promoting a course on 'Contemporary Wales'. They need the income – after all a major military money spinner they had banked on has failed.

'Excellent' you say, 'yes, and what a good idea'. The course offers discussion on topics such as 'How has the National Assembly Transformed Democracy in Wales' ('not much' is the Right Answer - the plans for the college were presented to the people of Wales for the St Athan College as a done deal with absolutely no public discussion permitted).

The photograph (below) advertising the 'Contemporary Wales' course is of a CND Cymru banner at a demonstration against the Open University and its involvement in the arms consortium!

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If, of course you are interested in 'Contemporary Wales' (looks interesting enough) or any Wales Open University courses t: 02920 471 170 www.openuniversity.co.uk/courseswales

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The Right Two Speak

The Welsh Conservative Party is in the process of choosing a new leader and we thought readers of Heddwch might find in interesting to know what the two contenders think about three of the issues that have featured in our campaigns during the past year.

of excellence to train military personnel from countries with poor human rights records and do you agree that its promotion has been a 'dog's breakfast' waste of public money?

Andrew RT Davies: 'I fully endorse and support any development that can enhance the defence & humanitarian capacity of our country. As St Athan sits in my regional constituency I am fully engaged with the campaign to secure these opportunities to the area. I completely reject the assertion that the site would be used to train military personnel from countries with a record of human rights violations.

It should be noted that the proposal put forward by the previous Labour Government was open-ended in its cost implications and it is highly regrettable that their failure to address these issues has ultimately led to the cancellation of the original proposal.'

Nick Ramsay: 'St. Athan would have offered specialist engineering, communications and information systems training to all the UK's armed forces in one location on new premises. It is unfortunate that the previous Labour Government failed to deliver an affordable, commercially robust proposal within the required time period.'

Heddwch comment: The proposal for the St Athan Defence Academy specifically advertised the intention to train military personnel from other countries, but did not mention any safeguards to debar oppressive regimes (such as Bahrain and Saudi Arabia) from receiving such training.

The Ministry of Defence has confirmed that British personnel regularly run courses for the national guard in 'weapons, fieldcraft and general military skills training, as well as incident handling, bomb disposal, search, public order and sniper training'. See 'UK Training Saudi Forces Used To Crush Arab Spring'. http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/ 2011/may/28/uk-training-saudi-troops





Above: Nick Ramsey Left: Andrew RT Davies

#### **Ouestion 2:**

Did you support St. Athan becoming a centre Do you support Parc Aberporth receiving public money for facilities to test Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) on behalf of regimes prepared to use them against unarmed civilians?

Nick Ramsay: 'Unmanned aerial vehicles are used in a growing number of civil applications, such as disaster/emergency monitoring, crop management, traffic management and environmental research. I welcome the investment there by the MoD and the opportunities that it presents'.

Andrew RT Davies: 'I would support any investment that enhances Wales' reputation as a centre of excellence in the field of enhanced defence technology. To export technology of this kind requires an export licence and I fully support restriction, and indeed robust monitoring, of any licence applications to export this technology. I would always fight to ensure that UAVs were used only to enhance defence capabilities - the purpose for which they were originally intended."

Heddwch comment: In reality, the publically funded development at Parc Aberporth is being used to help develop and prove Israeli designed UAVs for the MoD.

#### Question 3:

Would you support the creation of a nonpartisan Wales Peace Institute that, amongst other activities, could independently evaluate the value and purpose of any new military-related projects?

Andrew RT Davies: 'I looked at this issue in some detail as part of my role on the Assembly's Petitions Committee during the 3rd Assembly. The evidence for the formation of such a Peace Institute here in Wales is still being formulated and I would certainly have an open mind to this proposal if its viability can be established."

Nick Ramsay: 'I support the creation of a privately-funded, non-partisan Wales Peace Institute.'

Heddwch comment: A decision is awaited from the National Assembly in respect to the petition, supported by CND Cymru, calling for the creation of a Wales Peace Institute.

Heddwch will be similarly quizzing the contenders for the forthcoming Plaid Cymru Leadership election.

### REBELLIOUS MEDIA

Media, Activism and Social Change 8-9 October 2011 Central London

Guest speakers include. Michael Albert (ZNet): \* John Pilger (The War You Don't See): \* Jessica Azulay (New Standard News).

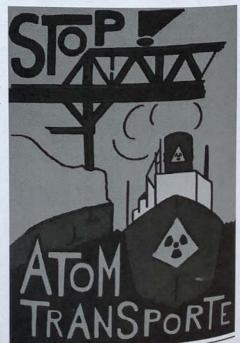
Robert McChesney (Our Media, Not Theirs):

Frustrated with the mainstream media's coverage of war, climate change and the economy, or already making your own media? Interested in acquiring new skills, or finding out more about exciting radical media projects from around the world? Want to join the resistance to the corporate takeover of the internet, or discuss how we can harness the digital revolution to help bring about radical social change? Then the Radical Media Conference is for you.

Organised by Peace News, Ceasefire, Red Pepper, Undercurrents and visionOnty, and supported by the New **Internationalist and Quaker Peace** and Social Witness.

Tickets can be purchased on-line through the web-site: www.radicalmediaconference.org

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# The Power of Non-Violence

Thirty years ago on 5<sup>th</sup> September 1981, a group of 40 marchers from Cardiff – mostly women – arrived on December 1979, to make RAF (also a United States Air Force (USAF) base) Greenham the base for 196 US nuclear

Following their arrival, the marchers set up the Women's Peace camp, immediately outside the main gate to RAF (USAF)

Greenham Common. This inspired action set in motion a lengthy protest that gained recognition internationally. The peace camp was occupied continuously for 19 years, until 2000.

new set of byelaws for Greenham Common. Women who were for in the protected area were arrested, charge called to court and fire Failure to pay meant until 2000.

Common rights and wrongs

During the years of the protest, the authorities, both local and central governments along with the police were at odds with the woman's occupation of the Common. The effect of the non-violent. direct action protest, brought women into conflict with the law. After many years of evictions and harassment to force the women off the land had failed, an attempt was made to have them removed through the voting system. A legal challenge was made by a local group, claiming that living on Greenham Common did not amount to residency and therefore disqualified women from inclusion on the Electoral Register. In 1985 it was accepted by the Master of the Rolls, in the High Court in London, that the receiving of mail from the courts as an address for service and the tenure of the women had sufficient permanence for each of them to qualify for inclusion on the electoral register.

While this was happening, the Secretary of State for Defence made and introduced a

new set of byelaws for RAF Greenham Common. Women who were found in the protected area were arrested, charged, called to court and fined. Failure to pay meant serving time in prison. Two camp women, Jean Hutchinson and Georgina Smith appealed their convictions.

The case lasted 4 years, travelling through every layer of the court system and all the way to the House of Lords. In July 1990, they appeared before five Law Lords who allowed their appeal and held that the Minister had exceeded his powers in framing the byelaws so as to prevent access to Common Land.

These two cases established an important development in the response from the authorities and the Ministry of defence. In establishing the permanence of our address we were able to stay on the Common until the missiles were removed and the land returned to the people.

#### A mind to change

The House of Lords Judgement was crucial to the removal of Cruise Missiles in 1992 and to the land being returned to the people in 2000. Looking back on these events, there is clear connection between the decision, by

women, to intervene and the nuclear politics on the Cold War between the USSR and the USA. The power of nonviolence, displayed by the women's protest, brought about enlightenment which in turn brought about a change in mind. The first line in the preamble to the

Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty which signed away Cruise, Pershing and SS20 missiles in 1987 states, 'Conscious that nuclear war would have devastating consequences for all mankind...'

The challenge to the byelaws exposed the illegal use of the land for military purposes and ended the 60 year reign of the MoD on Greenham Common. On 8th April 2000, the fences came down and 1,200 acres were open to the public.

Today, Greenham Common is the largest area of heath land remaining in Berkshire. It supports, among other species, nightjar and woodlark. Also, Exmoor ponies and cattle are once again allowed to graze feely on the heath land, not far from the now redundant nuclear missile silos. The land that was occupied by the Women's Peace Camp has been transformed into the Greenham Peace Garden with sculptures, plants and flowers. A sign, with a history of the protest identifies the site. This ancient 12th century common is now under the care and protection of the Greenham Common Community Trust Limited.

Sarah Hipperson Co-ordinator for the Greenham Peace Garden



With this short memoir, comes an invitation for people to visit this special place, where nonviolent power brought about lasting change. We will meet at the Greenham Peace garden around 1pm on 3rd September 2011. For further details please contact either: Jean Hutchinson 1, Coronation Road,

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# 25 years of radioactive fallout

The horror unravelling at Fukushima dashed our hopes never to see another nuclear disaster with all its attendant suffering. In remembering 1986 and the ongoing slow-motion disaster of Chernobyl and its victims; the campaigning and humanitarian work, this April we reaffirmed our campaign and called on all political parties that care about Wales and on the National Assembly to help achieve a truly Nuclear Free Wales. CND Cymru also renewed the call for a halt in plans to build any new nuclear power stations and to decommission those currently in operation,

At events around Wales campaigning groups drew attention to all those affected by the spread of radiation from these disasters and reflected upon the apparent commitment of the Westminster and Cardiff Governments to going ahead with building new nuclear power stations.

t is time we human beings learned our lesson. Nuclear power is a risk too great to take. There are alternatives. We should start by thinking hard about our addiction to the idea of 'economic growth' and remember that the earth's resources are finite. The risks inherent in nuclear power would not be acceptable under any health and safety regimes; insurance companies are not prepared to cover nuclear power plants against accidents and many of the massive costs of compensation - and decommissioning – are underwritten by the taxpayer.

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#### Cardiff

As CND Cymru and Côr Cochion marked the 25th anniversary of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster on the streets and collected for the Chernobyl Children's Project, CND Vice Chair Ray Davies said 'While campaigning against the new breed of Trident missile system and the senseless wars in Libya and Afghanistan must be high on CND Cymru's agenda, we must never forget the suffering of the children of Chernobyl who are innocent victims of nuclear power.'

#### Wrexham and Llandrindod

Llandrindod CND assistant secretary Heather Speake wrote to the Brecon and Radnor Express 'So much to report on the



effects of nuclear fallout, so much to be concerned about as we remember the Fukishima disaster still on going in Japan in spite of their first class technology capabilities; all the radioactive waste which seems to avoid detailed reports, not forgetting that there are still over 300 farms in North Wales in which the livestock still have to be monitored for radiation before removal'.

#### Newport (Gwent)

Wales Anti-Nuclear Alliance (SWANA) held a street meeting about nuclear power.

#### Bango

At a public meeting, the audience heard Dr. Ian Fairlie speak on the correlation between nuclear power stations and cancer levels. He focused on research which has found a statistically significant association between nuclear power and cancer risks for young children\*.

Menai Bridge



Listeners to radio traffic reports on BBC Wales (Cymru) will know that on most mornings traffic moves slowly across Menai Bridge between Ynys Môn and the mainland. On such a morning on 30th March drivers crossing Menai Bridge between the mainland and Ynys Mon honked their horns in support as they passed the placards and banners held by dozens of PAWB (Pobl Atal Wylfa B) supporters.

A PAWB spokesperson said: 'If British nuclear power plants are so safe and bring so many jobs - why are they located as far as possible from London? Politicians shouldn't be deluded by economic arguments for building a new nuclear power plant at Wylfa, Anglesey.'

It has yet to be explained how the island and areas beyond could be efficiently evacuated in the event of a nuclear alert or accident at Wylfa nuclear power station.

#### **Vested Interests**

As news of problems at the Fukushima reactor broke the pro-nuclear lobby were telling us about their 'failsafe' engineering and the 'small amounts of radioactivity released'. The nuclear industry in Japan and elsewhere has a long history of cover-up and mismanagement, from Windscale to Three Mile Island to Chernobyl.

The catastrophe of Chernobyl is still a reality and is still killing people today. This promotion of nuclear power is criminal irresponsibility, playing with the lives of hundreds of thousands of people and gambling with the very fabric of our environment.

Our thoughts are with the Japanese earthquake and tsunami victims and those who suffer as a result of nuclear technology – from the mining through to its practical use and abuse. All nuclear installations – civil and military – remain a threat to us all and to future generations, it is up to us to ensure that we deal with the pollution and waste already with us, and of course, to immediately stop creating any more.

\* The KiKK report (<a href="www.aerzteblatt.de/int/article.asp?id=62000">www.aerzteblatt.de/int/article.asp?id=62000</a>) says that children under 5 years of age have more than double the risk of contracting leukaemia if they live within 5 km of a nuclear power station compared to others living elsewhere.

### heddwch \*\* action

Get involved in the campaign! From your armchair: Write to your AM and the Welsh Government!

Although our National Assembly has no remit in respect of building new power stations, it does have environmental responsibility for ensuring the people of Wales are safe from radioactive pollution, as well as ensuring that all policies affecting Wales are environmentally sustainable. Remind our new Welsh Government Minister for the Environment and Sustainable Development John Griffiths that we already have large

# Stop it at Hinkley!

A non-violent blockade of Hinkley point nuclear power station in somerset - 3 October 2011

Come and help us non-violently blockade the access to Hinkley Point nuclear power station for one day.

There will be plenty of roles and activities for people who do not wish to risk arrest. So

everyone who is anti-nuclear can come and join us on the day to express their opposition.
CND Cymru is part of the Stop New Nuclear Alliance which is co-ordinating this event.
Hinkley Point

Nuclear Power
Station is just a few miles across the Bristol
Channel from south east Wales. It is the first
of eight proposed sites for nuclear new
build. We stopped

Hinkley C here before, and we can do it again.

If new nuclear power station plans at Hinkley fail, it is less likely that the "nuclear renaissance" will continue.

As the catastrophe of Fukushima unfolds, the British Government continues with plans to allow the construction of new nuclear power stations. It is as if the Japanese disaster wasn't happening.

The 'every day' dangers of nuclear power are quite enough to call for a halt to the whole industry. It is however worth remembering that on 30 January 1607 floods caused by a 'storm surge' resulted in the deaths of over 3,000 people. Houses and

villages were
swept away, an
estimated 200
square miles of
farmland
inundated and
livestock
destroyed along
the coasts of
the Bristol
Channel and
Severn Estuary.
Such events do
happen – and

with climate change may be even more likely to happen in the future.



We are hoping to organise blockading groups from Wales. More information – or to sign the pledge to blockade or support:

www.stopnewnuclear.org.uk/pledges Printable call-out leaflet (English only as yet):

www.stopnewnuclear.org.uk/node/10
e: reforest@qn.apc.org



German Nuclear Company Shareholders hear 'No Wylfa' Message

Shareholders of one the companies interested in building a new nuclear plant at Wylfa heard a resounding message of opposition from the people of Môn and Gwynedd to any nuclear expansion on the Island.

On May 5 PAWB campaigner Dr Carl Clowes addressed the shareholders of the nuclear company E.ON at their Annual General Meeting in Essen, Germany.
Dr Clowes spoke following an invitation by the powerful German anti nuclear movement Urgewald.
Following the Fukushima nuclear disaster, Germany's Chancellor Angela Merkel has announced the end of nuclear power in Germany. Switzerland has suspended decisions on its nuclear programme and Japan

& Italy have both cancelled their nuclear plans.

Also in Germany, the Annual General Meeting of RWE shareholders was attended by Reg Illingworth representing SANE (Shepperdine Against Nuclear Energy) who are opposing nuclear new-build at Oldbury, Gloucestershire. Mr Illingworth spoke on behalf of PAWB at that meeting. This new co-operation between PAWB and SANE who are fighting possible plans to build new nuclear plants at Wylfa and Oldbury, and Germany's powerful antinuclear Urgewald movement is an exciting and significant development.

A longer report by Dr. Carl Clowes report from Germany is available from CND Cymru or PAWB (www.stop-wylfa.org).

#### Here We Go

Despite a concerted campaign and powerful objections, it was announced in May that King's Cliffe in Cambridgeshire is to be the first landfill in the country outside the direct control of the nuclear industry to accept radioactive waste from decommissioning nuclear power stations. This is not just a local issue. The Westminster Government will be keen to offload more radioactive waste into landfill and it is essential that we understand the full implications of disposing of nuclear waste in landfill sites and act now, before it is too late. Nuclear wastes should be stored safely and above ground on site where it has been created and packaged in monitorable and repackagable form.

See: www.kingscliffewastewatchers.co.uk

# 25 years of radioactive fallout (cont'd)

### heddwch \*\* action (cont'd

■ amounts of radioactive waste in Wales. New reactors at Wylfa are not the only threat to Wales – the three proposed new reactors on our borders – Hinkley, Oldbury and Heysham are well within polluting distances. Call for investment in energy reduction measures as well as the exploitation of our valuable marine resources for electricity generation. John Griffiths AM, Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development. Welsh Government, Ty Hywel, Cardiff Bay CF99 1NA

e:correspondence.john.griffiths@wales.gsi.gov.uk

Roll up your sleeves and get active! Useful contacts:

\* South Wales Anti Nuclear Alliance Tim Richards t: 02920 830 029

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\*Pobl Atal Wylfa B/People Against Wylfa B Phil Steele t: 01248 490 715

www.stop-wylfa.org

facebook: 'Stop Wylfa - No Nuclear in Wales'

\*Llandrindod CND:

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\*Wrexham Peace and Justice:

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\*Côr Cochion and Cardiff: Ray Davies

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Information about radiation doses:

Low Level Radiation Campaign Richard Bramhall t: 01591 824 771

e: bramhall@llrc.org

\*Also see

www.heysham-anti-nuclear-alliance.org www.noneedfornuclear.org.uk & the brilliant www.no2nuclearpower.org.uk also on facebook: 'No to New Nuclear Power at Oldbury'; Stop Hinkley'; 'No Money For

Oldbury'; Stop Hinkley'; 'No Money For Nuclear'; 'Southwest Against Nuclear'.

\*Chernobyl Childrens' Project: www.chernobyl-children.org.uk facebook: 'Chernobyl Children's Project International'

# **Bradley Manning and Welsh Action**

Bradley Manning, the young U.S. army intelligence officer charged with sending Wikileaks a mountain of Bradley Manning, the young U.S. army intelligence officer charged white in prison 10 months in horrific conditions, information hit the news in a big way in mid March. He had by then been in prison 10 months in horrific conditions,

In his military jail he was kept in solitary confinement deprived of everything that keeps a person sane and human, including clothes, sleep, activity, possessions. Lack of human company was probably the worst deprivation. He was punished if he slept or exercised in the day, shackled if he left his minute cell. The list goes on.

#### Welsh connection

Suddenly his plight hit the headlines. The British campaign took over where the small protest scene in USA left off, led by some intrepid and intelligent individuals and the Guardian newspaper. His dual British nationality was confirmed as he had a Welsh Secrets and truth mother (and he went to secondary school in Pembrokeshire).

From here many things happened very fast. In fact there can rarely have been a more explosive campaign. Becoming involved at the early stage, I was outraged at this pretrial punishment of a 23 year-old for the alleged crime of telling the truth. Then I discovered that he was 'one of our children'; one of our Pembrokeshire young people, the same age - and socially connected to mine. I found others on the internet across Britain and together we planned a protest in London to coincide with 29 others in different cities in Europe and Americas, including Wales. A minibus took Pembrokeshire young people to London where they sang and spoke so movingly. A very fresh input to the protest scene. Ann Clwyd MP tirelessly raised the matter in parliament and there was a debate, but no-one questioned the torture of Bradley Manning as a British citizen. The Foreign Office twice raised this with the U.S. counterpart, and an early day motion was

tabled signed by all the Plaid Cymru and many other Welsh MPs. The German government sent a letter, Jill Evans MEP wrote to Baroness Ashton; the U.N. complained bitterly about being refused an official visit to investigate. All the Christian churches in Wales wrote jointly to the U.S. ambassador. A group of over 200 legal experts in the U.S. wrote to Obama, his military advisor spoke out and was made to resign. Finally the international civic organisation Avaaz collected over half a million signatures on an online petition in a

Then on April 20th, exactly one month after the protest in London (the second largest after the U.S.A.), Bradley Manning was moved to a wholly civilised prison situation. Now he has open access to other pre-trial prisoners during the day, a common room with exercise machine, TV, shower, two hours in a gym and time outside every day, personal possessions, access to letter writing materials, a bed with normal bedding and freedom to sleep at night. He even has a window to the sky in his cell. No it isn't heaven, but the prison prides itself on being civilised, and it has ground source heating to prove it!

So now the significant challenge is the trial. In March he received additional charges including 'Aiding the Enemy', the equivalent of treason and which carries the death penalty or life in prison without parole. The military trial is expected to be held in secret.

#### **Cruel secrets**

Bradley Manning himself would probably prefer attention to be focussed on actual

Wikileaks revelations. This information includes Afghanistan and Iraq war logs and diplomatic cables. The information is 'raw'; simply data without interpretation. Most famous is the film taken from a helicopter as its gunmen mowed down people who stand talking in a Baghdad suburb, and those carrying away the wounded. The coldbloodedness of the language used in the commentary reveals the normalisation or 'war crimes'. Not all the released material shows troops in a bad light. There are over 1,000 incidents of torture graphically reported by coalition forces in Iraq. Their presence often stopped torture

by Iraqi security, and got the victim to hospital. But a 'fragmentary order' instruction ensured that nothing became of the reports.

Other reports showed the full extent of the mission failure in Afghanistan. Diplomatic cables predicted economic and resource crises, detailed corruption by various governments and secret corporate dealsmay have added fuel to the uprisings in Egypt and Tunisia. There was much embarrassing material but nothing that should not be in the public domain, and nothing that could give tactical advantage to any military enemy. U.S. soldiers have been court martialled following the Wikileak publication of photographs showing them murdering random Iraqi civilians. Welsh campaigner, Chris May, is looking into ways of furthering the use of Wikileak information.

Sometimes it takes an individual to personify what we need to do. Bradley Manning is such an individual. His teachers in his Welsh school admired his depth and intelligence, his open minded searching for understanding. He saw the internet as a possible nerve system to unite mankind. We don't know what will happen to him next, but those close to him believe he has not been irreparably damaged and has a great deal to offer the world.

Vicky Moller

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Donations towards Bradley Manning's legal defence would be most welcome. Sterling is best sent by PayPal. Contact Vicky Moller for details.

e: vicky@ecocymru.org t: 01239 820 971

See links below for events.

#### **Useful films:**

Short film summary: http:// www.youtube.com/user/SaveBradley Interview about Bradley (select 'David House')

http://www.abc.net.au/4comers/special eds/ 20110214/leaks

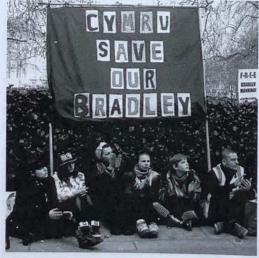
Collateral murder film, longer but worthwhile http://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=5rXPrfnU3G0

#### Websites

British: http://

blog.ukfriendsofbradleymanning.org/events/

www.bradleymanningcymru.wordpress.com USA: www.bradleymanning.org



# Keeping on Keeping on in Wrexham

What does a Peace and Justice group and its members do when everyone's time and energy are limited, when there aren't many of you and there's no immediate prospect of a resurgence in the anti-war movement in your local area? If you know, then please tell me. Meantime, here's what I've been up to, with Wrexham Peace and Justice Forum and beyond...



#### **Bradley Manning**

I'd written a couple of articles in December and January to raise awareness of accused WikiLeaks whistleblower Bradley Manning, his Welsh roots and his torture in the US. Although slow, people were starting to wake up by the beginning of February, with diverse groups speaking out and taking action for Bradley Manning. So I set up an email list to put activists in Wales, Ireland, Scotland and England (WISE) in contact with each other. We now also have a second list for people who just want announcements of main events rather than all the discussion. Feel free to sign up for either:

Main list (announcements, discussion, reports, links etc.):

lists.riseup.net/www/info/ wiseupforbradleymanning Announcement only list (low traffic): lists.riseup.net/www/info/ wiseupforbradleymanning-announce

I also set up a blog, to report some of the actions that have been taking place in the WISE area. You can read the blog here: wiseupforbradleymanning.wordpress.com

#### Vigil for Iraq, Fukushima, Libya and Manning

The eighth anniversary of the invasion and occupation of Iraq, the unfolding disaster at Fukushima, western military intervention in Libya and a weekend of action for Bradley Manning all coincided. Rather than pick one issue and ignore the rest, we held a vigil in Wrexham's Queens Square on 20 March: "for the people of Japan, who are facing nuclear catastrophe on top of the earthquake and tsunami they have already suffered; for the

people of Iraq, on this 8th anniversary of the keen to start a college-based group. These disastrous invasion and occupation of their country which has led to over a million unnecessary deaths and the poisoning of their land forever with radioactive weaponry; for the people of Libya, now facing a similar fate with western military intervention that will only lead to more suffering and bloodshed; for Bradley Manning, who is accused of blowing the whistle on war crimes in Iraq and Afghanistan, held under conditions of torture and facing a possible death penalty while those who perpetrated the crimes he is accused of exposing go free."

#### Stall on Chernobyl anniversary

On 26 April, the 25th anniversary of Chernobyl, I took our new banner to Chester and did a stall at the Cross with Trident Ploughshares activist Joan Meredith, having conversations with passers-by about the devastating effects of the accident at Chernobyl, the likely effects of the disaster at Fukushima, the risk posed by nuclear plants everywhere, the links between civilian and military nuclear projects, and the toxic risk posed if government plans to bury radioactive waste in holes in the ground (for example in nearby Cumbria) go ahead.

#### **Trident? No Thanks! Nuclear Power?** No Thanks!

We have continued our anti-Trident stalls and vigils in Wrexham, now expanded to a more general anti-nuclear message: Say No to Nuclear! Most recently, we held one on 13 May just outside the local sixth form college in Wrexham, attracting a lot of positive interest from students, some of whom were

stalls usually carry an anti-Trident petition, not because I have much faith in the power of petitions, but because they bring people up to the stall, giving the opportunity for conversation and to take information leaflets away with them.

Wrexham Peace & Justice Forum is also exploring ways of linking with other local groups with a peace and justice focus to share energy and resources, to network and to build a more representative 'forum'. Watch this space.

**Genny Bove** 

www.wpjf.org.uk recent photos: http://tinyurl.com/6exygdk e: wrexhamsaw@yahoo.com



# Ray of Justice

On January 10 2009, CND Cymru Vice Chair Ray Davies, County Councillor and lifelong peace activist, joined a national demonstration in London to protest Israel's violent assault on Gaza. During the demonstration Ray was attacked and knocked unconscious by the Metropolitan Police and consequently brought a complaint against the police. In late May he finally learned that he had won damages for the injuries he sustained that day.

Recent high profile cases have highlighted the controversial tactics used in controlling large demonstrations. Ian Tomlinson, an innocent bystander, was caught up in the April 2009 G8 protests and died after being assaulted by the Metropolitan police. In April a judge ruled that peaceful climate protesters were unlawfully detained when they were "kettled"- a tactic used in the Gaza demonstration in January 2009 in which Ray Davies was injured.

#### **Shoes and Boots**

The section of the march which Ray was in was halted by the police near the Israeli Embassy. Some demonstrators began throwing old shoes towards the building, a gesture of protest for which they had earlier been granted permission by the police. At this point the riot police over reacted. The marchers were trapped by police lines, unable to move on or go back, and after almost an hour of escalating tension, the Metropolitan police responded by lashing out with their truncheons and shields. Ray tried to calm the situation and approached an officer, who told him to 'go back with the rest of the scum'; he was hit on the nose, and then punched unconscious.

#### Slamming the door

Ray submitted a formal complaint and 2 senior officers came to Wales to interview him. The investigation concluded that it was impossible to identify the officers concerned, refused Ray's request for a token donation of £50 to Children in Need, and gave only a half hearted apology.

#### CCTV

Ray did not accept the Independent Police Complaints Commission report; it included misleading police evidence which twisted the facts. Witnesses to the police attack provided supporting evidence for Ray to pursue his case. After many months, Ray's solicitors Bhatt Murphy finally obtained the shocking CCTV footage which clearly showed the punch from a senior officer which knocked Ray to the ground.

With this new evidence, the police officer concerned had to confess that he had assaulted Ray (having earlier claimed that a photographer tripped and fell on Ray). He

admitted that Ray played no part in the violence, but said that he saw only 3 options: to beat him with a shield (injuring Ray's nose), hit him with his truncheon, or punch him. In his statement, justifying the assault, the police officer said that he thought Ray was 60 not 79, as if it was all right to hit a 60 year old with a blow that knocked him unconscious and could have killed him.

Ray said, 'I sincerely hope that the tragedy of Ian Tomlinson and the ruling in favour of the Climate protest, along with my case will bring changes in police practices. There should be a complete end to kettling and police should display their identification numbers. This will go some way to restoring public confidence in the police, so that we, the public, can exercise our hard-won democratic rights to demonstrate peacefully in our capital, without fear of repressive violence.'

Thanks to all those on the demonstration who had the courage to come forward and give evidence on his behalf; and to Bhatt Murphy for their tenacity in pursuing the case, helping Ray win justice.

The compensation money will be used to help Palestinian charities.

#### It's Still Ray's Party

On May 20th Labour Party Deputy Leader Harriet Harman MP presented Ray with an award in recognition of 'six decades of service to the Labour Party'. A member of



the Labour Party for 61 years, he has been a councillor since 1963.

Ms Harman recognised that Ray has never been afraid of protesting and speaking out against those activities of his party with which he disagrees. He has been imprisoned for his some of his non-violent protests and was even grazed by an Israeli Defence Force bullet when with supporting a Palestinian Refugee camp. She called him a committed 'firebrand' and told those present: 'News of his tremendous activities, energy and campaigning has reached all the way to London.

# Passion Action and Support We need you!

CND Cymru relies entirely on the financial and moral support of its members and friends.

Every penny we receive is used directly for campaigning. Thank you so much for your help.

If you are not a member then please do join - we need you.

For a membership and/or standing order forms please contact CND Cymru Membership (see contacts page 2) or <a href="https://www.cndcymru.org">www.cndcymru.org</a>

We were sorry to learn that some members of CND Cymru who joined through the CND office in London payers have not been receiving **'heddwch'**. It's an old story we're afraid but it was due to a to a computer error.

As a member of CND Cymru and unless you hear otherwise, you will continue to receive 'heddwch'. Should you not wish to receive 'heddwch' then please let us know.

# Wales and the Palestine Connection Boycott campaign

When Palestinians, inspired by the anti-South African Apartheid boycott of last century, launched BDS (Boycott, Sanctions and Divestments) in 2005 they hoped that a general boycott - economic, academic, cultural - would encourage Israel abide by international law.

Welsh campaigners have since focused on economic boycotts, contacting supermarket managers and explaining BDS to shoppers. Welsh councils have been urged to avoid contracts with companies providing services to Israeli colonies in Palestine. Following intense campaigning, one such company, Veolia, was dumped by Swansea Council last June, and it is hoped that Caerphilly Council will shortly follow suit. Israel profits illegally from EU trade concessions by 'mislabelling' some products.

Welsh MEPs are being lobbied to oppose anEU move to unfreeze a trade protocol frozen last year after Israeli soldiers killed nine passengers on board the Mavi Marmara carrying humanitarian aid to Gaza.

Aberystwyth Palestine Solidarity Campaign (PSC) is calling for enforcement action by Trading Standards after finding 'Ahava' products, made on stolen Palestinian land being illegally sold as 'Made in Israel' in a local 'beauty' salon.

#### **Universal Jurisdiction**

In May, David Cameron reassured Israel's Prime Minister that legislation to please Israel would soon be completed in Parliament. This is a Clause on Universal Jurisdiction (UJ); crowbarred into the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Bill for the sole benefit of Israel.

The Israeli government had asked for an assurance that the embarrassment it faced when in 2009 Westminster Magistrate's Court issued an arrest warrant against former Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni could never be repeated. Livni is accused of war crimes for her role in Operation Cast Lead, the three-week Gaza onslaught which killed 1400 civilians, many children, and injured thousands more. In the end Livni opted not to travel. The proposed legislation would restrict powers to issue arrest warrants to the Director of Public Prosecutions and only he deemed there was a chance for a successful prosecution. This, campaigners fear, would mean never.

In the Commons, LibDem MPs who had been strongly opposed before the 2010 elections, made another u-turn and despite campaigners pulling out all the stops, only 37 (7 Welsh) MPs voted for Ann Clwyd's amendment calling for the UJ Clause to be dropped.

The All-Wales Palestine Action Group wrote hundreds of letters to peers asking them to oppose this legislation in the House of Lords. At the time of writing, only Baroness Tonge and Baroness D'Souza were calling for the clause to be dropped.

#### **National Assembly Elections**

While realising that foreign policy has not been devolved to the Assembly, candidates were asked if they would support an eventual British recognition of a Palestinian state on pre-1967 borders. Several replied positively. Cross-party no-named-day motions on similar topics have been tabled in the past and we shall be asking the new AMs about this again.

#### Accuracy and Impartiality in the Media

Concerned over the way that media misinformation about 'the conflict' can influence public opinion to take a simplistic, shallow view of the situation in Palestine-Israel, Welsh groups are vigilant and criticise them for their all-too frequent bias towards Israel. Our complaints bore rare fruit when the BBC Trust ruled in April that its 2010 Panorama programme 'Death in the Med' breached the BBC's own guidelines on accuracy and impartiality in three instances.

#### **Aberporth Drones**

Welsh PSC groups have taken part in the campaign against developing the joint Thales UK and Israeli Company Elbit Systems Watchkeeper surveillance drones at Aberporth. The MoD is also currently leasing Israeli drones for use in Afghanistan.

Informal Twinning with Palestinian Towns
A group in Llanidloes, Powys, and
Aberystwyth PSC have established
friendship links with (respectively) AsSawiya and the permaculture village of
Marda, both in the West Bank. Other WalesPalestine 'twinnings' are also in the
pipeline.

**Elizabeth Morley** 

#### heddwch \*\* action

- \* Tell supermarkets why you are not happy with them stocking Israeli goods.
- \* Stickers, leaflets, pledge cards PSC: www.palestinecampaign.org
- \* Some Welsh leaflets available: eimorley@rocketmail.com
- \* Lobby your MPs:

check http://www.parliament.uk/edm if your MP has not signed current pro-Palestine EDMs ask them to do so.

- \* Media Watch: complain if you perceive bias or inaccuracy
- \* Other useful contacts:

Aberporth – <a href="www.bepj.org.uk">www.dronewarsuk.wordpress.com</a> Britain-Palestine Twinning Network - <a href="www.twinningwithpalestine.net">www.twinningwithpalestine.net</a>



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# More than Poetry - More than Peace

Waldo Williams (1904-71) has been said by some to be the greatest Welsh-language poet of the twentieth century - and this on the strength of his only poetry collection, Dail Pren (Leaves of a Tree, 1956). He is also well known as a Quaker, pacifist, anti-imperialist and 'patron saint of the language movement'.

Waldo was born in Haverfordwest where English was his mother tongue. Not until he moved to Mynachlogddu at the age of 7 did he become a Welsh speaker. His chapelgoing parents were influenced by the radical movements of the time. As pacifists they strongly opposed the 1914-18 war and Waldo grew up in an environment that would give him a unique view later in life, leading to civil disobedience and being imprisoned for his stance against the Korean legal and political enforcement, had the War in 1950.

From Narberth grammar school Waldo went to study English at the University of Wales, Aberystwyth before returning to his beloved Pembrokeshire to become a teacher. During World War II he registered as a conscientious objector; the horror of war evident in his poems during this period. Although standing as Plaid Cymru candidate in the General Election of 1959, he was not a party political animal by nature. He spread his gospel through his poems and he had considerable political influence on the younger generation of activists.

Waldo may be the only Welsh language poet to be quoted by an Archbishop of Canterbury. In an attempt to define the meaning of life during a sermon in an international conference in New York in 2003, Rowan Williams stated the Welsh poet was as close as any to the definition in his poem Pa Beth Yw Dyn (What Is Man), when he wrote 'Cael neuadd fawr/Rhwng cyfyng furiau' ('Inhabiting a great hall/between narrow walls).

In Alan Llwyd's excellent contribution to the bilingual series by Barddas, 'The Story of Waldo Williams - Poet of Peace' Waldo is described and revealed in a way never before available to the English-speaking Welsh and the wider world. Waldo's poetry is discussed in a biographical context - and, like shining a light into a wonderful place some of us had never been able to visit – it is all in both languages.

His introduction explains:

'Waldo Williams was a poet and pacifist, or, perhaps, it would be more correct to say that Waldo Williams was a peace lover and a conscientious objector who wrote poetry as a means of expressing his beliefs and promoting his cause. His pacifism was not something to be professed easily and effortlessly, but something to be acted upon.'

'In an age of totalitarianism he believed in individualism; in a century of wars he cherished peace; at a time of hatred and persecution he believed in the brotherhood of man; at a time of despair he offered hope. Above everything, he believed that the individual's soul and conscience belonged to the individual himself, and not to the State. Waldo believed that wars were possible only because states and governments, through power to possess and control the individual's soul, therefore depriving individuals of their free will and their rights as individuals. Waldo Williams was the poet of the freedom of the individual. He was also a Christian, a Quaker, a socialist and a nationalist.'

Beyond Mr Llwyd's highly recommended and enlightening book, in which he uses Waldo's life alongside his poetry to explain one another, it is clear that Waldo, a man of rural west Wales was a deep thinker and a complex man. Not an international player, a party politician or a celebrity in the 21st Century sense, this man was and is more important than that. Whoever we are; our principles and the way we choose to live, and just how we try to influence attitudes to peace, social justice and war are significant, and as we live our everyday lives, we forget that at our peril.

Today's peace campaigners are Waldo's brothers and sisters. He would have been with us in our work and understood that the means we use and the manner in which we work towards our desired ends will always affect the outcome.



As he wrote:

'Fy Nghymru, a bro brawdoliaeth, fy nghri, fy nghrefydd,

Unig falm I fyd, ei chenhadaeth, ei her, Perl yr anfeidrol awr yn wystl gan amser, Gobaith yr yrfa faith ar y drofa fer.'

Wales shall be brotherhood's womb, her destiny she will dare it. The sick world's balm shall be brotherhood alone. It is the pearl pledged by time to eternity

Jill Gough

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To be the pilgrim's hope in this little crooked lane.'



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# Will Your Children Inherit the Earth?

Radiating Posters, a new book written and created by Dirk Bannick is a wide selection of 603 vintage international posters from the last 40 or so years of the Anti-Nuclear Movement. The book is inspiring as well as being a feast for the eyes, the brain and the memory. You will find just a few of these posters in the pages of this edition of 'heddwch'.

From the beginning of the 1970s popular movements organised protest. The poster was one of the many ways to raise awareness of the issues. Radiating Posters is not a book *about* nuclear power, although some background information in given, this is to better understand the issues raised on the posters themselves.

Nuclear energy was sold to the public in the 1950s as being infinitely abundant and 'too cheap to meter', it was going to change the world for the better. Now we know well that those promises were empty and nuclear

power has served to make the world more dangerous.

From early on, antinuclear campaigners focussed on alternative ways of energy production – although only a few pointed out that the fantasy of infinite energy could desensitise us all to the ecological impossibility of endless economic growth.

Radiating posters embraces the whole range of anti-nuclear campaigns from the mining of uranium, transportation or radioactive materials,

electricity generation, fast breeder reactors, reprocessing and waste. The accidents at Harrisburg, Mont Louis and Chernobyl are included as well as posters highlighting the dangers of radionucleides themselves. It is somehow a comfort that at the same time and across the world others have been active in spelling out the dangers of nuclear energy just as we have been in Wales.

This book poses the question about the effectiveness of the political poster. We all use them but do we really 'see' them? Does the poster appeal to the converted or does it convert? Is it possible to actually change minds through graphics? Some of us might understand that changing minds takes time and rarely happens all in one fell swoop.

The poster informs and adds to ideas and feelings already taking root, it often works visually where words might miss their mark.

Dirk Bannik's answer is easy. He says: 'If you couldn't change minds through graphics, ad agencies are wasting millions. It appeals to the converted because it reinforces their view of the world'. This book was published just before the Fukushima disaster. It was timely. By the end of June 8 European Union countries (Austria, Greece, Ireland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta and Portugal) had created a new anti-nuclear bloc within the EU.

We should feel positive but not complacent -

maybe it's time for a new poster.

Jill Gough
Radiating Posters
A Collection of
Posters from the
Global Movement
against Nuclear
Power
WISE/LAKA
Foundation 2011
ISBN 978-94-9076202-5
£16 including p&p
from CND Cymru (see
p.2)

Should your group like to buy and/or sell several copies in bulk please contact WISE (World Information Service on Energy)

e:

wiseamster@antenna.nl



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Dirk Bannick said that when trying to find posters, it became clear that many groups did not collect posters, sometimes not even the ones they produced themselves.

Although not surprising for a movement that functioned almost always without fixed organisational structures, large offices and strong hierarchy, it was a pity that some of our rich cultural heritage has been lost, especially on a local level and the anti-nuclear movement was and still is mainly organised on a local level.'

Please help us collect together a record of Welsh Anti-Nuclear material. If you have any posters, leaflets or badges we could record or collect together to place in the National Library of Wales Political Archive, please contact (CND Cymru).

We are always looking for ideas and graphics for our campaigning materials – don't be afraid to get in touch if you can help!

#### Countdown to Zero

Nine nations possess nuclear weapons capabilities with others racing to join them. The world is now held in a delicate balance that could be shattered by an act of terrorism, failed diplomacy, or a simple accident.

Written and directed by Lucy Walker, the film 'Countdown to Zero' traces the history of the atomic bomb from its origins to the present state of global affairs. It makes a compelling case for worldwide nuclear disarmament.

The film's distributor, Dogwoof (The Age of Stupid), have called for a 'Demand Zero Day' across Britain and Ireland to co-incide with the launch on 21st June. Following the screening of the film, 'Ambassador's Screening' venues will link up live to for a high-profile panel discussion with Queen Noor, ex-CIA operative Valerie Plame Wilson, Margaret Becket and film producer Lawrence Bender. Audiences will also be encouraged to join the discussion and text in their questions.

### In Wales you can see Countdown to Zero on 21st June at:

Aberystwyth Arts Centre
Scala Cinema in Prestatyn
Apollo Port Talbot
Apollo Carmarthen
Newport University
The Globe Hay on Wye
And just across the border: Kinokulture
Oswestry - Ambassador's Screening
& on Thursday 15 September:
Mold – Clwyd Theatr Cymru
No screening near you?

Dogwoof's Ambassadors Programme allows local areas to take part in Demand Zero Day by hosting their own screening and offering the live Q&A to their audiences. There is no upfront screening fee, nor a required minimum number of ticket sales. Just a fair split per ticket sold between the Ambassador and Dogwoof. And the more tickets sold, the bigger the Ambassadors' cut – so you can generate funds for yourself or the community and become a true film entrepreneur.

For more information on the film, the campaign and how to host an Ambassador screening visit

www.countdowntozerofilm.com

From the makers of An Inconvenient Truth, comes a film about our nuclear threat.

'The horror film to end all horror films' -Peter Bradshaw, Guardian

'Unquestionably the most important film you'll see this year' -

James Mottram, Moviescope

Saturday 25 June, 14.00 SENNYBRIDGE, Shoemakers Arms, Pentrebach, LD3 8UB Cymdeithas y Cymod (Fellowship of Reconciliation in Wales) Pilgrimage Set off at 2pm from the Shoemakers Arms for the remains of Babell chapel, within the army's training area. 2.30pm Service - Babell Saturday 30 July -Saturday 6 August, led by Rev. Guto Prys ap Gwynfor, followed by visit to mock village built by MoD for practising house-to-house fighting. Commemoration of civilians killed by drone strikes. t: 01286 830 913

e: cymdeithasycymod@btinternet.com w: www.cymdeithasycymod.org.uk/diary.htm

#### Thursday 30 June CARDIFF Nye Bevan Statue, Queen St. UNCUT Demonstration against cuts in public services

CND Cymru says 'Cut Trident!'. Bring banners, megaphones, musical instruments & friends.

e: sebastian@fyeq.org

w: www.ukuncut.org.uk/actions/610

f: www.facebook.com/

event.php?eid=101466786612298

#### Thursday 30 June - Friday 1 July **CARDIFF: University of Glamorgan ATRiuM** campus

Conference: 'Local Communisms' Contact: Lois Thomas e: Ithomas3@glam.ac.uk

w: www.history-glamorgan.net/ communisms/form.html

#### Saturday 2 July, 09.00 - 16.00 CARDIFF, UWIC School of Management Llandaff Conference:

'Wales - A Co-operative Nation' Institute of Welsh Affairs- in association with the Co-operative Society. Overview of the development of cooperative & mutual enterprises across Wales.

w: www.iwa.org.uk/en/events/view/130 Free to attend, register your place o.n. e: emmabrennan@iwa.org.uk t: 029 2066 0820

#### Monday 4 July, 15.00 - 20.00 **MENWITH HILL Yorkshire** Demonstration

Annual independence from America event. Speakers and music Contact: Lindis Percy (CAAB) e: percy@phonecoop.coop w: www.caab.org.uk

Friday 8 July 12.00 - Monday 11 July 12.00

ALDERMASTON: Dingly Dell", outside AWE Aldermaston, Berkshire; Aldermaston Women's Peace Camp: Long Weekend Camp

An extended weekend of women only nonviolent discussion and activity.

e: info@aldermaston.net

w: http://www.aldermaston.net

m: 07969 739 812

#### Thursday 28 July - Monday 1 August SHROPHIRE

**Peace News Summer Camp** 

http://peacenewscamp.info/2011/about-thepeace-news-summer-camp/

**WREXHAM: National Eisteddfod** CND Cymru will be in our Pabell **Heddwch at the National Eisteddfod** once again. Please support us by either offering any help on the stall or just by dropping in and looking at the exhibition, buying a little something or coming to say 'helo'. Contact Kate: conev@gn.apc.org

Monday, 1 August: Central Station, Wrexham: Night of comedy and political satire

Organised by Cymdeithas yr Iaith Gymraeg. w: http://cymdeithas.org/

Tuesday, 2 August: Central Station, Wrexham: Gig to launch the charter "Fate of the Language - the Future of our Communities" with Bryn Fôn & band, Al Lewis, Daniel Lloyd and others. Organised by Cymdeithas yr Iaith Gymraeg. w: http://cymdeithas.org/

Wednesday, 3 August: music in sound and film. Special guests include Maffia Mr Huws and Heather Jones. Organised by Cymdeithas yr Iaith Gymraeg. w: http://cymdeithas.org/

Thursday, 4 August: Central Station, Wrexham: Gig against the Government cuts with Llwybr Llaethog, Dai Cefn, Crash Disgo. Organised by Cymdeithas yr Iaith Gymraeg. w: http://cymdeithas.org/

Friday, 5 August: Central Station, Wrexham: Gig for international peace headlined by Meic Stevens & band. There will be a minute's silence at midnight to remember Hiroshima Day.

Organised by Cymdeithas yr Iaith Gymraeg. w: http://cymdeithas.org/

Saturday, 6 August: 2.30pm Cytûn Tent, National Eisteddfod field: Service & procession entertainment commemorating the dropping of US atomic bomb on Hiroshima.

#### Sunday 14 August 13.00 - 17.00 CARDIGAN: Glan Helyg. Llechryd, SA43

'Amnestea', Open Garden & Art Gallery Cardigan and N. Pembs. Amnesty International Group 'Amnestea'

Tea & cakes in the Studio, Plant Sale. Woodland Walk (umbrellas provided if wet!) Admission £2-50, chidren free. Proceeds to Amnesty International

e: celiaandgraham@gmail.com

# Are We?

A little girl whilst holding her mother's hand asked of her mother, 'Mummy, why do we have bombs?' 'To keep us safe'

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Replied her mother.

'Safe from what?'

Asked her daughter.

'Other bombs'

Replied the little girl's mother.

Knowing that her questions were not really being answered, with great disappointment, the little girl gave up asking questions, and simply said,

'But bombs make me scared Mummy'. The little girl's mother triumphantly declared,

'That's what makes us safe.' After a very long time, with huge tears in her eyes, the little girl reluctantly let go of her mother's hand, and said,

don't want to be safe'.

**Anthony Tinsley** Rhyl

#### Sunday 11 - Sunday 25 September **MILFORD HAVEN Quaker Meeting**

House, Priory Road

Creative Quakers - Exhibition of arts, crafts and interests of Quakers in Pembrokeshire t: 01834 831 121 for times

#### Saturday 17 September 2-6pm MILFORD HAVEN Quaker Meeting House,

**Priory Road** Abial's Tea Party

Based on food, clothing and events described by Abial Folger, a Quaker in Milford who kept a diary between

1806 & 181. **Includes** with sea shanty group 'The Vagrants Crew', Please book in advance t: 01834 831 121



#### Saturday 8 October - Sunday 9 October, 10.00 - 17.00 LONDON

#### **Rebellious Media Conference**

With John Pilger, ZNet, New Standard News & Our Media Not Theirs. see page 6 www.radicalmediaconference.org

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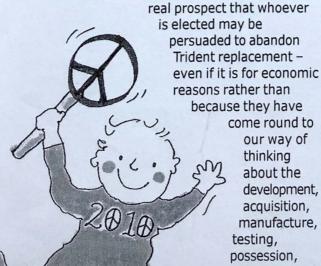
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come round to our way of thinking about the development, acquisition, manufacture, testing, possession, threat and use of weapons of mass murder.

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# Aldermaston Big Blockade February 15th 2010

Jill Evans MEP, Chair of CND Cymru is one of hundreds expected to be at Aldermaston AWE in February. To draw attention to and to show our opposition to current government plans to renew Trident, CND Cymru is supporting a full perimeter blockade of the bomb-making factory (AWE) at Aldermaston on February 15th. (see <a href="https://www.blockawe.blogspot.com/">www.blockawe.blogspot.com/</a>) & blockawe@yahoo.co.uk)

We don't want new nuclear weapons, we need nuclear disarmament now, yet building of infrastructure for the creation of a new generation of nuclear weapons is already underway at Aldermaston.

You don't have to be arrested but can also simply be part of the demonstration, and/or provide support and sustenance to others.

Our target is to have at least fifty people from Wales blockading the 'Construction Gate' whilst others from all over Britain block the other eight.



# Groups (and contact details) of those planning to go:

Swansea - Brian Jones

t: 01792 830 330

e: swanseacnd@btinternet.com

Cardiff - Ray Davies

t: 02920 889 514

Bangor - Phil Steele/Linda Rogers

t: 01248 490 715

e: phil steele@btinternet.com

Knighton - Angie Zelter

t: 01547 520 929

e: reforest@gn.apc.org

Aberystwyth - Lotte Reimer

t: 01970 610 185

e: lotte.reimer@btinternet.com

**Arfon** - Ben Gregory t: 01286 882 134

e: benica@qn.apc.org

Some financial help may be available to assist groups. Contact Brian Jones (see Swansea CND contact) for more information.

#### **SOME DIARY DATES**

Seasons' Greetings to all CND Cymru members, colleagues, friends and fellow campaigners.

Let's look forward to working for a more peaceful and just new year.

January 10, 7.30pm

Ebenezer Chapel, Porthmadog: The Dwyryd a Glaslyn cell of Cymdeithas y Cymod will be discussing climate change. All welcome. Details: Pryderi Llwyd Jones t: 01766 514 103

#### January 23, 1.30 - 4.30pm

Y Morlan, Aberystwyth Next Cynefin y Werin meeting. Details t: 01286 882 134 e: benica@gn.apc.org

#### January 30th (tbc) 10.30am - 4.30pm Anti-Nuclear Power Conference

Norwegian Church, Cardiff Bay Organised by South Wales Anti-Nuclear Alliance and the Welsh Nuclear Free Local Authorities. Invited speakers Jane Davidson, Paul Flynn, Leanne Wood, a Lib-Dem and the WNFLA as well as FoE, CND and WANA - Hugh Richardson on the radioactive waste problems. Contact to confirm t:02920 830 029

e: tim@iforbach.demon.co.uk

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

If you are not a member of CND Cymru, please consider joining; if you have received this mailing and 'heddwch' but would like to be taken off our mailing list, please let the membership secretary know. Already a member of CND Cymru? Then, please do pass the enclosed membership form to a friend or someone whom you think might like to join us. Membership Secretary:

Michael Freeman, Llysblodau, 9 Primrose Hill, Llanbadarn Fawr, Aberystwyth, SY23 3SE e: michael.freeman9@btinternet.com

A big thank you to all those who make an extra donation to the campaign when they join. While we don't normally write to thank all of you, individually who are so generous, please be assured that all contributions are greatly appreciated.

# CND Cymru national secretary & heddwch editor:

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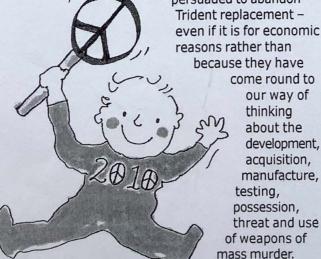
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# Blwyddyn Newydd - Cyfleoedd Newydd

Gan edrych i'r dyfodol, gallai 2010 fod yn gefndeuddwr o safbwynt diarfogi niwclear. Cynhelir Cynhadledd Adolygu 5-mlynedd hollbwysig y Cytundeb Atal Ymlediad Niwclear (CAY) yn yr haf, gyda gobeithion y ceir cam pendant ymlaen wedi eu cyffroi gan rethreg Obama, er y gwrthbwyswyd hynny gan y ffaith fod llywodraeth Prydain yn mynnu adnewyddu Trident. Ein gorchwyl ninnau yw newid polisi ein llywodraeth (gyfredol) a chredwn y bydd sawl cyfle eleni i wneud argraff.

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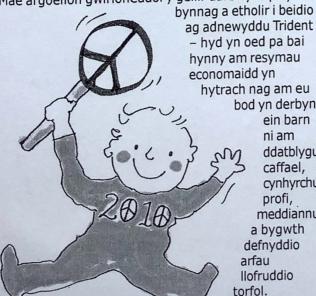
Mae'r cerdyn post amgaeëdig wedi ei gyfeirio at yr Ysgrifennydd Tramor, y gweinidog sy'n gyfrifol am ein cynrychioli ar faterion CAY. Bydd anfon y cardiau post hyn yn uniongyrchol at yr Ysgrifennydd Tramor yn cyfleu'r neges glir ein bod am weld camau gwirionedd tuag at ddiarfogi niwclear yn cael eu cymryd yn y Gynhadledd. Pan fydd yn derbyn miloedd o'r cardiau post hyn, bydd yn rhaid iddo ef a'i adran gydnabod faint o alw sy'n bodoli ymhlith y cyhoedd am ddiarfogi. Mae rhagor o gardiau post ar gael, gweler isod.

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Cynhyrchir rhifyn o Heddwch cyn etholiad San Steffan, y gellir ei ddefnyddio yn ystod cyfarfodydd etholiad i bwysleisio'r cwestiynau y mae CND am i ddarpar-ASau eu hateb. Bwriedwn argraffu copïau ychwanegol, felly, da chi, rhowch wybod i ni faint o gopïau ychwanegol y credwch y gellwch eu dosbarthu (aweler isod).

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Yn union wedi etholiad San Steffan, byddwn yn annog y llywodraeth newydd i gyflawni oblygiadau Prydain o dan y Cytundeb Atal Ymlediad (CAY) 'i fynd ati i negydu yn ddiffuant . . . i sicrhau diarfogi niwclear' a chyfrannu'n bositif yng Nghynhadledd Adolygu'r CAY. Mae argoelion gwirioneddol y gellir darbwyllo pwy



bod yn derbyn ein barn ni am ddatblygu, caffael, cynhyrchu, profi, meddiannu a bygwth defnyddio **Ilofruddio** 

### Academi Heddwch Cymru

Newyddion da: o ganlyniad i'n hapêl at aelodau CND Cymru, casglwyd mwy na 1500 o lofnodion ar ein deiseb Academi Heddwch Cymru o fewn pedair wythnos. Mae'r ddeiseb hon wedi cael ei chyflwyno'n ffurfiol i'r Cynulliad Cenedlaethol lle mae'n cael ei hystyried ar hyn o bryd. Roedd hwn yn ymateb gwych gan ein haelodaeth, cyfeillion a chefnogwyr, ac mae'n dangos y gall CND Cymru wneud argraff wirioneddol. Diolch i bawb a arwyddodd ac a ddychwelodd y ddeiseb.



Cyflwyno'r Ddeiseb ar risiau'r Senedd Chi'r dde: Stephen Thomas (Canolfan Materion Rhyngwladol Cymru), Mike German AC, Sue Essex, Jill Gough (CND Cymru)

'Y cwestiwn i bob un ohonom ei ystyried yw – a ydw i yn mynd i fod yn wirioneddol fyw ar yr adeg dyngedfennol hon mewn hanes, neu a ydw i'n mynd i fod yn sylwedydd?'

[Bruce Gagnon, Cydgysylltydd y Rhwydwaith Fyd-eang yn erbyn Arfau a Phuer Niwclear vn v Gofodl

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# Aldermaston **Gwarchae Mawr** 15 Chwefror 2010

Mae Jill Evans ASE, Cadeirydd CND Cymru, yn un o gannoedd y disgwylir y byddant yn SAA Aldermaston ym mis Chwefror. Er mwyn tynnu sylw at gynlluniau cyfredol y llywodraeth a'u gwrthwynebu, mae CND Cymru yn cefnogi gwarchae a fydd yn llwyr amgylchynu'r ffatri fomiau (SAA) yn Aldermaston ar y 15<sup>fed</sup> o Chwefror.

(gweler www.blockawe.blogspot.com/a blockawe@vahoo.co.uk)

Dydyn ni ddim eisiau arfau niwclear newydd, mae arnom angen diarfogi niwclear nawr, ac eto mae gwaith adeiladu isadeiledd ar gyfer cenhedlaeth newydd o arfau niwclear eisoes ar y gweill Aldermaston.

Does dim rhaid i chi gael eich restio - gallwch fod yn rhan o'r gwrthdystiad a/neu ddarparu cefnogaeth a chynhaliaeth i eraill.

Ein nod yw bod ag o leiaf hanner cant o bobl o Gymru yn blocedio'r 'Glwyd Adeiladu' tra bydd pobl eraill o bob rhan o Brydain yn rhwystro'r wyth clwyd arall.



#### Grwpiau (a manylion cysylltu) sy'n bwriadu mynd:

Abertawe - Brian Jones

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e: swanseacnd@btinternet.com

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Mae'n bosib y bydd rhywfaint o arian ar gael i gynorthwyo grwpiau. Cysyllter â Brian Jones (gweler CND Abertawe) am fwy o wybodaeth.

# Dyddiadau Dyddiadur

Cyfarchion y Tymor i holl aelodau CND Cymru, cydweithwyr, cyfeillion a chydymgyrchwyr. Edrychwn ymlaen at weithio am flwyddyn newydd fwy heddychlon a mwy cyfiawn.

#### Ionawr 10, 7.30pm

Capel Ebeneser, Porthmadog: bydd cell Dwyryd a Glaslyn o Gymdeithas y Cymod yn trafod newid hinsawdd. Croeso i bawb. Manylion gan: Pryderi Llwyd Jones t: 01766 514 103

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Y Morlan, Aberystwyth Cyfarfod nesaf Cynefin y Werin. Manylion gan t: 01286 882 134 e: benica@gn.apc.org

#### Ionawr 30 (i'w gadarnhau) 10.30am -4.30pm

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