

Bolton Socialist Club

NEWSLETTER

Sept - Dec 2011

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Programme of Weekend Events - 8pm unless stated

Fri 2 Sept Club closed

Fri 9 Sept **The Riots**. Mindless criminality or symptom of social division? Chris Chilton leads an open discussion.

Fri 16 Sept **Walking for Palestine**. Helen Dickson on her recent coast-to-coast walk. Also Roy Ratcliffe examines the proposal for the UN to recognise the Palestinian state.

Fri 23 Sept **Red Cinema 'Oranges and Sunshine'**. Director Jim Loach (Ken's son). True story of a British social worker who uncovered the forced deportation of thousands of children from Britain to Australia

Fri 30 Sept **Music Night** with Steve, Dave and friends

Fri 7 Oct **Poetry Please**. Bring along a poem or two, read them out, and say why you like them. Very informal.

Fri 14 Oct **The Big Society**. Who's kidding who? Ian McHugh looks at the realities.

Fri 21 Oct Club closed

Sat 22 Oct **Club Open Day**. 12-3pm
CND / Stop the War fund raiser. 7.30pm

Fri 28 Oct **Red Cinema 'Route Irish'** Set in Liverpool and Baghdad. About state sanctioned crime and exploitation .

Fri 4 Nov **Music Night** with Steve, Dave and friends.

Fri 11 Nov **A Woman's Right to Choose**. Moira Hill and Elaine Glover on the increasing threat to the abortion laws

Sat 12 Nov **Bertie Lewis Memorial Evening** 7.30pm

Fri 18 Nov **Transition Bolton**. Vicky Urmston on the campaign to set Bolton on course for environmental sustainability.

Fri 25 Nov **Quiz Night** with quizmaster Dave.

Fri 2 Dec **The Politics of Picasso**. Helen McHugh explores the artist's radical links and anti-fascist activism.

Fri 9 Dec **Red Cinema 'Joyeux Noel'** 2006 French film nominated for Best Foreign Language Film, set in the Christmas truce of 1914, inspired by a true story of dignity and human kindness in the savagery of War .

Fri 16 Dec Club closed.

Sat 17 Dec **Club Xmas Party**. All members and their guests invited

PEOPLE'S HISTORY

Saturdays 2-4pm

Sat 24 Sept **'Bolton's First Railway - What's left?'** Rachel and Dave Mann

Sat 29 Oct **'The Story of the Working class Movement Library'** Michael Herbert

Sat 3 Dec **'Spare Time - People's Sport in Bolton'** Peter Swain

CLUB OPEN DAY

Saturday 22 October 12-4pm

Find out what the club is all about - together with the many different organisations who use it. Open to the public. Buffet lunch.

Terry Rae

It is with sadness that we heard of the death of Terry Rae. Terry worked on many of the early improvements to the building. He will be missed by those of us who knew him and we extend our sympathies to his friends and family. As requested, the club made a donation The Christie Hospital.

CLARION CHOIR

Moira invites anyone interested in singing good socialist songs to come along and join in.

**Saturdays 2-4pm. Wednesdays 7-9pm
on the following dates:**

Wed 7 Sept, Sat 17 Sept, Wed Oct 5 Oct, Sat 15 Oct, Wed 2 Nov, Sat 12 Nov, Sat 19 Nov, Wed 7 Dec, Sat 17 Dec.

Raise your Banners Festival 26/27 Nov

FREE SINGING WORKSHOP

Sat 17 Sept 10.30-4.00. Food available

People from all cultures and backgrounds are invited to come along and sing songs from around the world.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Keeping the club open depends on people willing to volunteer some of their time. We are always short of help with the bar and Saturday lunches and the burden falls increasingly on an overworked few. If you can help out in any way, please let us know and help to keep alive our unique and invaluable organisation.