

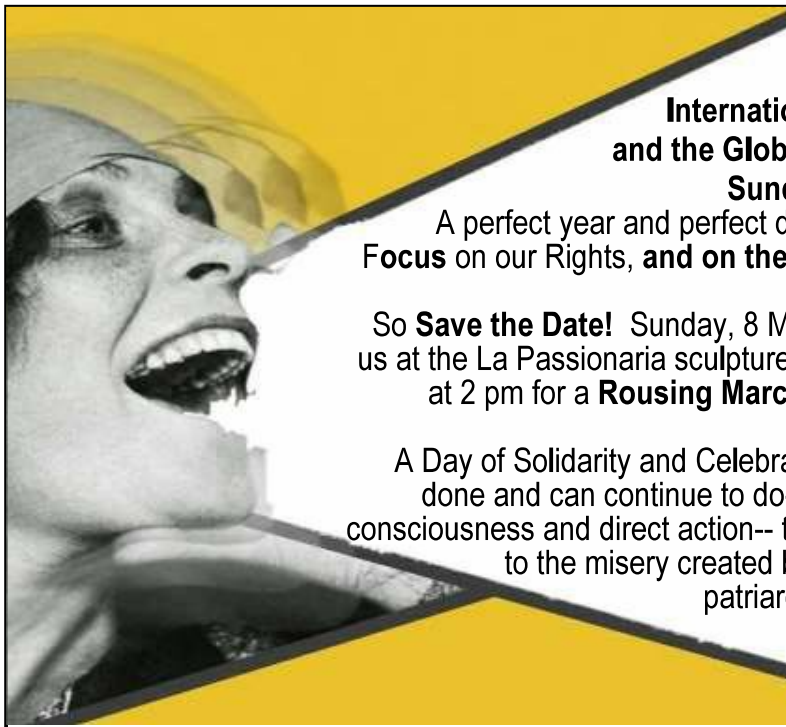


GLASGOW KEELIE

February 2020

Priceless

PROFITEERING: It costs the Earth



**Women's Rights
Call Out**

**International Women's Day
and the Global Women's Strike**
Sunday, 8 March 2020,
A perfect year and perfect day to **Sharpen Our
Focus** on our Rights, and on the **lies and scams of
the One Percent!**

So **Save the Date!** Sunday, 8 March 2020, and join
us at the La Passionaria sculpture on the River Clyde
at 2 pm for a **Rousing March through the City
Centre.**

A Day of Solidarity and Celebration for all we have
done and can continue to do-- through collective
consciousness and direct action-- to help bring an end
to the misery created by the capitalist and
patriarchal global systems

Pass it on

STRIKE for a FUTURE

Why a Climate Strike?

When we're bombarded with TV ads for electric cars, told about all the things plastic bottles can be made in to, world leaders meet regularly to set targets to tackle climate change and scientists predict it will be taps off every summer in Glasgow, why is there a climate strike?

World leaders represent capitalism, which is raping the planet. Profit before the planet and our children's futures is their mantra. You can't fix the problem by doing more of the same. There is no high tech fix.

But we do know one thing, that the bosses need us an awful lot more than we need them! Withdrawing our labour is one of the few things that gets their attention, because it threatens their profits. That's why a global climate strike is so important.

In November 2020, Glasgow will host an international climate change conference (COP26). Let us bring Glasgow to a standstill and the delegates can consult with us on the long walk from the airport!

Good Old Days No.4: Maryhill

On the 24th February we remember George Millar, aged 19, striker murdered by a Nab (scab) called 'Clay Davie' in 1834. The owners of Calico Printworks in Maryhill had brought in Nabs and the workers resisted by sabotage, dye pouring & window frame falling on top of the Mill Manager. Charges were dropped against the scab, workers arrested and held at Maryhill Barracks. Class Justice!

(Source: Walking Through Glasgow's Industrial Past by Ian R. Mitchell, Luath Press)

Living Rent Goes Southside!

Scotland's tenants' union Living Rent has opened a new branch in Shawlands. The first meetings have drawn up a plan to consult residents and build the branch. Look out for their stall in Shawlands, search Facebook or email george.lavery@livingrent.org for more info and to get involved.



Keelie

'A disreputable inhabitant of a town or city, especially from Glasgow'
Oxford Dictionary

We aim to be a voice for the dissident, the downtrodden, the troublemaker, the enraged, the anarchist, and we welcome the participation of all true lovers of liberty

Got a story? Get in touch!

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Something Has To Happen

Second festival from the Workers Theatre coop, Something Has To Happen is a festival of renewal and a celebration of creativity.

It will be an exciting, accessible, and inclusive five day event, which provides a platform for both emerging and established artists.

Glasgow Southside 12 - 16 February 2020.

See website or Facebook.

<https://workerstheatre.wordpress.com/something-has-to-happen/>

GET INVOLVED!

City Strolls - investigate all possibilities at citystrolls.com
Clydeside Industrial Workers of the World - Join the Union for ALL exploited workers in today's gig economy clydeside@iww.org.uk
Couriers Network Scotland - Uber & Deliveroo workers agitate. Contact via twitter, facebook & couriers.scotland@iww.org.uk
Friends of the Peoples Palace, Winter Gardens and Glasgow Green

See Facebook or friendsofppwggg.org.uk

Glasgow Autonomous Space - social centre in the southside. glasgowautonomous.weebly.com
Glasgow Class War - contact via Facebook.

Green Anti Capitalist Front Glasgow - contact via Facebook
Living Rent - organises resistance to Landlords and promotes tenants associations. Join for £3 a month, glasgow@livingrent.org

Radicalglasgowblog.blogspot.com

Home of the Anarchist Critic

Red and Black Song Club

See Facebook

Scottish Peace Network - holds vigils & stalls. Visit scottishpeacenet.org.uk

Spirit of Revolt - Archives of dissent, collecting, cataloguing and digitising insights. 3 Show & Tell public forums a year. <https://spiritofrevolt.info>

Unity Centre Glasgow - agitates against deportations and welcomes refugees. <https://unitycentreglasgow.org>



‘ Dear Councillor Kerr,

Reading the article in the Evening Times yesterday following the twitter feed, I need to redress the issue, firstly the banner that offended you, “f**k off you Tory c***s” wasn’t carried by some grubby little Scottish Nationalists, if you do some background work you’ll find it was from the anarchist group Class War (as banner said) a group blamed for Poll Tax Riots in London resulting in abolishment of the unfair tax, subsequently the demise of your beloved Maggie, may she rot in hell for her crimes against the working class. I digress, to be offended by a few words is hilarious, what you should be offended by are the words **foodbank, child poverty, suicide, disability death, zero hour contracts, minimum wage, universal credit**, things that have fuelled a hatred towards your party, coupled with a divisive Brexit vote, initiation of exit from Europe by Cameron, lies perpetrated by Johnson, Farage et al, other rubbish that followed. Your party’s ploy worked: it split the country who now focus on all the wrong things stopping us being united, coming

together for the common good of the people, endless lies by your party during the last election, contempt by your front benchers towards ordinary people helps perpetuate flames of contempt towards your party, it won’t subside, you’re a party of privilege, out to make rich richer and keep us working class in our place.

We’ll never hide our anger we’ll display it in the most offensive way possible to get our point across, you and all politicians can continue to use lies and subterfuge, we’ll use offensive language, no one ever died from swear words, over 120,000 vulnerable people died from the Tory’s Universal Credit scheme, we have over 2000 foodbanks supplying aid to over 560,000 poverty stricken families, 225,000 people on zero hour contracts, 425,000 employed with minimum wage, over 14 million people live in conditions of poverty, this is 1 in 5 of UK population, 8 million working aged adults, 4 million children, almost 2 million pensioners... and you are outraged by the word C***t, this sums up the real problem in Tory Britain in the 21st Century, “*this is unacceptable*”, to use your quote in the Evening Times.’

•Posted on the Councillors Facebook page.

Climate Strike Terrorists??!!

Wasn’t it a scorcher, 20 degrees last September when thousands marched in the Global Climate Change demo in Sunny Glasgow? I was there amongst school strikers and children protesters in George Square. Should it be this hot in Glasgow? And the new Soft approach ‘smiling’ Police Scotland saw them giving out bottles of water to the thirsty! We demanded again, that governments act to stop Climate Catastrophe. They still aren’t listening letting us down –dragging their feet. Trust green Capitalism? NO way!

Many demonstrators now want SYSTEM CHANGE and getting that might including mass strikes and disruption. But are we TERRORISTS?????

In England, some think we are! Richard Walton (ex Met) says that acting to change the capitalist system, mass protest and direct action such as the tactics of Extinction Rebellion rather than just campaigning on climate change should be prosecuted under terrorism laws.

But with the giant corporations that are causing the problems profiting by maintaining the Capitalist System whilst not being challenged by governments then the way we organise society itself is crucial. States are already planning for this broken social contract with crackdowns on civil disobedience being the next step. In England a guidebook has been issued to Police, Teachers and NHS England staff to ‘lookout’ for

warning signs in climate activists to refer them to the anti-radicalisation programme – PREVENT.

In Scotland this unlawful protest IS NOT considered terrorism. Police still have a duty to respond to ‘criminal’ activity but MUST NOT treat peaceful protest in the same bracket as terrorist threats.

Society faces hell-scape and ecological collapse within your child’s lifetime. Isn’t the real extremist agenda non-action from Governments?

Civil disruption for Capitalist SYSTEM CHANGE seems small in comparison so plan that strike day and start making those banners for COP26.



A CORPORATE GLASGOW

FOR MORE THAN A YEAR NOW, we have been told that "austerity" is over, but like all words that flow from the mouths of our politicians, they should be taken with a pinch of salt.

With the supposed "austerity" over, Glasgow has to make £50 million in cuts to balance its coming budget, (*Evening Times*). What does that mean? Well there are lots of proposals, all of which lead to handing over more of Glasgow's public spaces to the corporate world. A process that has been going on for years and will eventually lead to a city that is privately owned, where you will only be able to access its amenities if you have a nice fat wallet.

Among the suggested money saving proposals are such things as selling off the Gallery of Modern Art. It could become an lavish hotel with expensive restaurants, or a gambling casino with fancy eateries for rich tourists and wealthy citizens. Of Glasgow's six publicly owned golf courses there are proposals to lose five of them, so all you folks who use them or live next to those fine green oases, in our dear green place, can expect to see the rise of private



housing estates, theme parks or perhaps more swanky hotels.

Libraries, those places where you go to seek out info and pleasure, well they are deemed not really necessary, with proposals to close Maryhill and Whiteinch libraries. So you could be looking at a couple of new carpet shops, car

dealers or office blocks in their place. There is more, much more in the money saving proposals that the city council is considering, in carrying out the financial world's plan of a city as a profit producing centre for the corporate moneybag share holders.

When do we stand up and say, enough is enough, we will not

tolerate any longer all our public assets being turned to money making entities for the greed driven corporate world. We do not want to live in a world where your only access to amenities is via a fat wallet.

DECIMATED

This privatisation of all that is public has been going on for years and will not stop until they have gobbled up everything that can make a profit. Slice by slice our National Health Service has been hand over, and is still being handed over, to private profit seeking companies, called "service providers". Our education system is being decimated by lack of resources while private schools and private academies are fostered.

Only we the people can stop this plundering of the poor, the grabbing of public assets, all for the purses of the wealthy shareholders. However, time is running out.

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