

An occasional update on Organising in the Northern Region

Please take any opportunity to pass this information on to anyone who might be interested!

Hi Everyone,

The summer term is well underway, and we know that many minds will be counting the days before the long summer break (we've seen Facebook, we know!). There are plenty of ways to catch up with friends and colleagues before we go our separate ways though...

Saturday 30 June: Durham Women's Gala

12.00noon – 4.00pm (Gate open 10.30am) Wharton Park, Durham DH1 4NQ (Limited Blue Badge Parking only on site)
Free parking at County Hall

Help celebrate 100 years of women's suffrage with street food & refreshments, crafts & activities for all ages along with special guests, stalls, live music & speakers

Wednesday 4th July: Reps' Briefing on workload

Crowne Plaza Hotel Newcastle upon Tyne, 10.30 am – 3.30 pm

There is still an opportunity to sign up and attend the briefing for reps on workload. Rep working across the Northern Region are invited to our rep conference on 'How to Win On Workload' which will include:

- Identifying workplace issues
- The DfE workload toolkit - opportunities and risks
- Working with members to tackle issues
- Effective negotiating

Contact vin.wynne@neu.org.uk for more details

Saturday 14th July: Durham Miners' Gala

Yes, it's almost here - join us in Durham as we will march with our band, for the first time behind our new NEU banner. Meet in Durham Market Square at 9.30am and march to the Racecourse for what will be a highlight of the summer. Bring your family and a picnic - we want a great presence to mark the inaugural outing for the NEU Northern Banner, and what finer venue?

Saturday 28th July: Seven Men of Jarrow Commemoration

After a small event last year we will again commemorate events in Jarrow in 1831/2. Details are still being finalised, but the aim is to remember the strike by miners in 1831 that led to the penal transportation of 7 miners (think Tolpuddle!) and ultimately saw William Jobling gibbeted in Jarrow Slake. Keep the date free for the commemoration that will include a tribute to these pioneering trade unionists and an afternoon of music. More at <https://www.facebook.com/events/161817194507583/>

There will be more, watch this space!!

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