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Last day of Conference and weary faces are preparing for the long march back to their offices and another year of struggle in the war of attrition. And yesterday we moved another step closer to supporting PCS candidates in parliamentary elections. The grandee juggernaut bulldozed through a motion making the union's support for independent union candidates including candidates standing in the name of the union - official PCS policy.



Ms Frankland-Barber negotiates a lift home with Mr Bryson

CANDY UDWIN was the one who made the incoherent argument:"*the Tories were supposed to come storming back in but failed and no political party won the election, which makes it more urgent that our union should organise its own representation.*" which, at the very least, deserves our "non sequitor of the week" award. CANDY, a leading light in the SOCIALIST WANKERS PARTY, was a serial troublemaker in the NHS and was expelled from her previous union, UNISON, in 2003.

JOHN MCINALLY revealed that the proposal had already been backed by 64 per cent of PCS branches in a national consultation. What he didn't stress was that this only applied to the less than ten per cent of the branches who had bothered to take part in the exercise. The pie in the sky scheme will back no-hoper fringe candidates (like those of the Socialist Party/SWP) at members' expense

JOHN McINALLY: "Get a life"

HOWARD FULLER:"I've got a life - I've got my "N" guage model railway, my comics collection and my 2 cats."

International Solidarity

Conference livened up for a few minutes yesterday when 4TM made their bid for the limelight over the contentious issues of solidarity with the Venezuelan and Cuban revolutions. The Venezuelan debate was a cracker. The 4TM motion was moved by Herr Dr HUBERT GESSLER whose speech, in a thick German accent, was heard in polite silence because no-one could understand what the fuck he was talking about. This was probably just as well. ROB BRYSON seconded, delivering a speech he cobbled together by googling Fox News and the Heritage Foundation the day before. Spontaneous jeering, organised by his former SOCIALIST WANKER comrades, started almost immediately. Despite appeals from JANICE to give a fair hearing to the newly elected NEC member he was booed off the rostrum and the motion was heavily defeated.

BRYSON, already an object of derision among the cognoscenti, is fast becoming an object of hate amongst the Trotskyist community, much like an earlier turncoat, MICKEY DUGGAN, a generation before. History reveals that this is not necessarily a bad thing. When DUGGAN dumped the left, he got a juicy full-time officer post for the rest of his career and is now general secretary of the old codgers' alliance. All ROB's got so far is top ranking on the 4TM list and a seat on the NEC. But he's only just begun...

...and it began last night at the official bash at the Brighton Centre. Leading left luminary KEVIN McHUGH spied ROB and HOWARD FULLERSHIT and joined

them for a drink in comradely spirit. All was going swimmingly until some minutes later when well oiled Welsh 4TM member OWEN DODD lurched into view. His opening gambit with WOR KEVVA was "fucking thieves" and "thieving cunts". This was met by a stunned silence from the other three until HOWIE asked DODO what he was on about. To which DODD replied "the Newcastle Eight" – an incident in the 80's when a number of CPSA branch officers at the giant DHSS complex were accused of abusing Union facilities



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and resources for the benefit of the Trotskyist MENDICANT faction. After their conviction they appealed to conference and no penalties were applied. (see <u>www.pflcpsa.com</u> for gory details).

KEVIN pointed out that this was a long time ago and, while he had been an officer of the branch, he wasn't in fact one of the EIGHT accused. DODO (who should have known this



Dodd in happier times

because the PRATT was on the NEC at the time) shut up and looked stupefied. McHUGH then invited DODD to apologise for his boorish behaviour, or words to that effect. DODO, fuelled by dutch courage, loudly refused. Kevin then took his glasses off – an ominous portent in Geordieland – and told Owen that "If we were in Newcastle, at this point I would take you outside and give you a spanking". Fortunately for Dodd, ROB and HOWIE swiftly hauled him out of harm's way and gave him some urgent advice on manners and selfpreservation and pointed him in the direction of his hotel.

The things they do. DECLAN POWER of the Independent Left is the branch secretary of the West London branch of the DWP. He appears to be gunning for a Darwin Award. Following breakfast obversations in his hotel, perhaps somebody ought to tell DECLAN that it is not advisable, when toast is wedged in the toaster, to attempt to free it with a metal fork while it is still plugged in. Oh, and did we mention that he's a very experienced regional Health and Safety rep?

Routine Corruption

MICK McCARTHY - BOFF's policy officer - leaves us at the end of July. His brumbie hat with corks already purchased to go to Oz with LINDA who quit PCS over... well, you know why (see PFL Passim). Any road up, who will be BOFF's new bag man? Will it be ALAN in Organising & Learning doing Equalities work? SP'er of course. Or perhaps LOIS AUSTIN, the newly shoed-in negotiator who has so far negotiated exactly diddly. No union experience, no bargaining experience, no real world or civil service experience. No nothing, except of course, SOCIALIST PARTY membership. (So how, we wonder, did *that* appointment happen?) The only thing we can be reasonably confident about is that whoever is appointed will already be a loyal party member. One who can be trusted to ensure that CHRIS keeps on the straight and narrow.



the Late Michael Anderson

Odyssey

This grainy footage purports to reveal a delegate in the act of making a prolonged inspection of the inside of his eyelids, though, for all we know, he could just have blinked. (note to future snappers of sleeping citizens: to prove somnolence, you need to capture the collapsed head or at least a significant dollop of drool)

In any case, spare a shred of sympathy for the subject of this candid snap, one MICHAEL ANDERSON (HMRC Waterview Park) He staggered into conference yesterday (or possibly the day before – it's all blurring together now) after setting out from Milan three days prior. He had been on holiday and was forced – like many other victims of the strike-friendly ash cloud - to take a convoluted route, via Belfast. As if that wasn't enough, his faithless Branch Secretary, TIM COXON, had cancelled his three star hotel room as he wasn't sure when the hapless traveller would turn up. Which is why he ended up checking into a backpackers hostel called 'Kipps' – full of students, Australians and JOEL HIRSCH. Obviously a lively place at night. Hence MICHAEL is taking the opportunity to reduce his sleep deficit during conference. What's your excuse?

Incidentally the NEC is keen to reduce the size of delegations so that smaller conference venues can become viable. Glasgow, Liverpool and Manchester are all prime options.

We believe that Conference 2011 will be roughly this time next year but Brighton Conference Centre Bookings can't confirm until next week. They advise you to ring your hotel next week to confirm details. The hotels will all get notified direct. Some Brighton hotels will give a 50% discount if booked a year in advance.



Competition: Name the well known delegate.

Rules are simple. Give us the correct name of this delegate and we will reward you with half of whatever he donates, by close of conference, in cash, in order to prevent us publishing his name on the web and linking it to his facebook page. Clue: this photograph wasn't taken yesterday.



The New Islamic Left – "Prayers not Polifics"

We'd like to say how much we have enjoyed your company. Perhaps one day we will. Clearly there is much work still to be done here.

So let's get straight down to business: Remember to follow your branch mandate only as far as conscience dictates. At which point it is your duty to accept the will of the higher authority.

Motion 109 – Abstain

Only when pay campaigns begin to address the obscene inequalities built into the Civil Service pay scale will they have any merit for good Moslems.

Motion 110 – Oppose

Illustrates the previous point. Remember that Islam is 'the nation of the middle path'. Now note how rather than "levelling up" and fighting for all staff to be paid the maximum (i.e. nearer "fair") rate for the job, we have here the absurd spectacle of the union being asked to condone and confirm differentials which force staff performing exactly comparable duties to accept different rates of pay. Economic, moral and strategic idiocy.

Motion 111 – Support.

At last, a proper demand for equality. See how easy it is?

Motion 115 – Support

Perhaps a little too much complacency and self congratulation within the text of the motion but it's conclusions are not in conflict with Islamic values.

Motion 121 – Support

We may have our differences but surely Fascism is one enemy against whom we can unite.

PFLCPSA NEWS

First come first served for the handful of **PCSVILLE £10 T-Shirts** still on the shelves. And if, for any reason, you feel the urge to donate to a good cause, we can only hope you think we are one.

If you're sad enough to want to re-live the wonderful experiences we've all shared this week, you can access all of this week's copy – and **33 years of archives** from our fully online website. <u>www.pflcpsa.com</u> – home of the resistance to mundane reality and which, this week, sits at 8,647,347 in the Alexa page rankings. (warning: Site contains traces of nuts)

So we reach the end of another glorious week of democratic dithering without a scratch. Our friends have grown stronger. Our enemies remain blissfully unaware of what lies in store. All that remains for you to do is to stay awake another few hours and the torture will end. It will be as though it never happened. Only the fact that there will still be a new tory prime minister when you get home will convince you that it really is a nightmare after all.

Usual plaudits: Steven White's team at One Digital (www.one-digital.com) continue to provide excellent service with the printing. Our network of agents have managed to answer most of our questions most of the time. And if you want to play your part in our movement, remember that our whistle-blowers' anonymity is always respected. Go to the website for instructions on how to submit information with maximum discretion. (even we don't know who deposits material in the drop boxes – unless you choose to tell us)

Field commanders this year have included the regulars: CAP'N SHAFT, SIR WOY, HALFBRAIN, GAYBOY, BARRABAS, ISLAM and APOLLO. but we've been particularly pleased this year to welcome agent PICASSO back to active duty, after an extended retreat to his cave somewhere oop north.

And Finally, thank-you Conference, for having us. Your sullen insolence and subdued respect are what makes it all worth the effort. Conference 2010 is hereby declared an ex-conference.

I shall return and I shall be millions - Eva Peron