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SYNCHRONISED SINNING

By Judas Iscariot

The sun shines on the righteous they say but maybe not for all at the Group conferences that began on Monday. JANE AITCHISON is putting a brave face on her last days as DWP



President following a grandee purge last year (see PFL passim). While ROB WILLIAMS has been parachuted in to LEEDS as a reward for keeping his mouth shut, his partner JANE still dreams of restoring her flagging fortunes. She's been building up a bloc of loyalists in Yorks & Humberside, drawn largely from disaffected SOCIALIST WANKERS and independent members of LUNITY, to try and capture a regional officer-ship which could provide a launching pad for a come-back.

Aitchison Outgoing

The grandees are well aware of what's going on, of course. DWP Group Secretary MARTIN JOHN, an SWP cadre who strongly backed JANE in her struggle against FRAN HEATHCOTE, has been made an offer he can't refuse and he's going to take early retirement this year. The grandees have a list of another ten AITCHISON loyalists who are next in line for the chop.

JANE, who is also a METHODIST lay preacher has gone to great lengths to suppress a motion critical of US bible-puncher FRANKLIN GRAHAM, a son of BILLY GRAHAM, noted for his anti-Muslim and anti-gay remarks. FRANKLIN even had to publicly apologise to BARACK OBAMA for questioning the PRESIDENT'S Christian faith and GRAHAM said religion has "nothing to do" with his decision not to support OBAMA'S re-election. The motion (A188), tabled by DWP GLASGOW BENEFIT CENTRE calls on the Department to have nothing to do with FRANKLIN'S "Samaritan's Purse" charity (routine American Religious scam where they try to make life-saving Aid conditional on moral compliance) which it claims would be a breach of the DWP's Diversity and Equality Policy. JANE wanted the motion X marked on the grounds that it could stir up "anti-Christian" sentiment. This was rejected. Oddly, the motion was guillotined on Monday, so it's up for reference back today.

And all is not well in DWP Group's finances. Following a cock up in properly claiming expenses for the Campaign, they find their budget for this year slashed from the £464,000 they had requested and budgeted for, to £421,000. That's a 9 per cent cut in a group that's actually increasing in membership density and should get a bigger slice of the pie. And they've got the inevitable mess of trying to absorb CMEC this year. But every cloud has a silver lining. With the internal directorate changes in DWP dictating fewer industrial relations and health and safety committees plus requiring fewer reps (in case you hadn't spotted it, I will repeat FEWER REPS ARE NEEDED), it means a leaner organisation. And that's cheaper. One NEC member from a different Group added "Might stop them calling GEC meetings every five minutes, too". Other Groups take note: your funding is also in the firing line.

RUTH 'Oak Fonder' SAUNDERS is not happy with yesterday's picture of her in PFL. She said "I know it looks like me but you can tell it isn't. I have more than enough dead wood in my Branch already to be seen hugging a tree". ADAM KHALIF & IAN ALBERT does she mean you?

Well it wouldn't be conference without reporting on the hapless ALAN "gie's a job" BROWN, whose career high spot to date was as one of the alibis used by disgraced TROT politician TOMMY SHERIDAN. Well, the champagne was eventually popped when at long last PCS ran out of other tossers to pay off with permanent jobs and finally let him have his turn at the trough. Generous though his FTO emoluments are, BROON can barely makes ends meet as he's been given a London job (the dynamic L&SE MYVC role) with no T&S so most of it goes on the cheapest London hotels he can find and travelling back and forth to sunny Scotland where, ironically, partner CHERYL GELDING remains after she turned down the same job. Why? No T&S. How we laughed...



Sheridan Disgraced

Incidentally we won't be seeing Comrade ALAN this week. He can't afford it!

Word reaches us that PCS made quite an impression at STUC conference this year. Awarded Worst Dressed Delegation, Drunkest Delegation and runners up to USDAW for Ugliest Delegation. They nearly won that as well, but as JOY DUNN is now a full timer, this was her last STUC, so it was conceded that PCS was moving in the right direction.



McCann MP

Still north of the border we are pleased to note that JIM HANSON, who fucked off taking his 30 pieces of silver last year has bounced back as yet another Westminster research worker for MICHAEL McCANN, the MP for East Kilbride and former member of RAMSBLADDER'S JOCKOCRACY. McCANN, who employs his wife as one of his top aides has also hired GORDON PATERSON, who was the IT chief at Falconcrest during the BARRY era as well as bunging a few coins in the bucket for the GREAT SCOT himself.

An informed source has passed us a little more information about Mr SIDDALL-BUTCHERS. He is a legal advisor (£45,000 plus) who came to PCS with the AMO merger. He had a curious history while in AMO (the magistrates union prior to the merge). He left the Magistrates Service for a while to go into private practice. When this failed, he re-joined the Court Service but as he didn't like or trust AMO he didn't re-join the union and remained a non-member for some time.

His enemies claim that SODALL-BONKERS is deeply untrustworthy and that he will play candidates against each other when it suits his agenda. Who doesn't? He already has a small group of followers within the MoJ PCS Democrats (a minor player in the BIG TENT) but it is not clear if he has sufficient backing to deliver the Group Presidency next year when it is the PCSD's turn to hold it. BONKERS may not be firmly committed to the workers' cause but qualifies with the usual skills in self-promotion.

The high spot of Monday evening was the HMRC bash at the HILTON – a five pound a head job that was largely ignored – not surprisingly given that you couldn't get a can of BODDINGTONS for less than a fiver. The dismal social picked up when it was heroically crashed by BRIGADIER HARDING and his drunken rabble soon after it opened. When HARDING wittily made some adverse comments about the entertainment his presence, and those of his degenerate mates, was a) noticed and b) challenged. CHARLIE SLOAN refused to pay on the grounds that he's given enough for the can in his hand. STUART, on the other hand, meekly coughed up. Wanker.



Helen Maguire

Speaking of SLOAN, his prettier half – HELEN MAGUIRE - is joining us tomorrow, ostensibly to play Beach Volley Ball (in Brighton??!!) Her real purpose, however, is to verify the existence of someone called Barrabas. Good luck with that.

RICHARD HALFPENNY is AWOL this week claiming "back-ache". However a usually reliable source tells us that he's actually ponced off for a foreign holiday with his missus. He doesn't want anybody to know so don't pass it on. Curiously enough we learn that HALFBRAIN brought his wife down to Conference last year - incognito. She's reportedly a highly paid executive who earns much more than he ever could. DICK was evidently too embarrassed to introduce his spouse to the reprobates he normally associates with in this part of the world so he would make early excuses at the daily briefings and slouch secretly off for connubial trysts. He maintained the charade for a couple of days before he could bundle her back on the train to YORKSHIRE.

The delegation from East Kilbride Tax Office managed to flood their Brighton apartment at the weekend. A photo of the lads cleaning up - in their pants – was said to be circulating Facebook. Fucked if we can find it though. (probationary martyrdom in exchange for url)

The 4TM Lone Wolf Jake Wilde has launched himself on the Twittiverse. Jake's got 12 Followers now on Twitter. That's more than the 4TM membership.

Late resident of this parish JOHN FERRETT, now safely ensconced as a Prospect bureaucrat, still likes to pull the PCS chain. John merrily messages about the PCS Trotfest on Prospect members' time. He clearly has nothing better to do now that Prospect have caved in on pensions.

The last dying embers of the Unity faction flickered briefly at DWP conference yesterday with gongs to be awarded next year for Tankies DAVE ALSTON, LAURA MARTIN, PHIL MORCOM and PAUL VIZARD. It's the National ARMS Committee in waiting! Retiring Dave WILKINSON will act as their SOC Secretary.

Also down here for their Medals, this time from MoJ, are ex-Tankie & PCS Democrats bouncer GARRY WINDER and GLENYS MORRIS, former PCS VP. Nostalgically, WINDUP is drinking the pubs dry and QUEEN GLENYS has feng shue'd The Thistle.

Naked Cyclist NEIL LICENCE was impressed on getting into his room at THE THISTLE. All the sea-view rooms have binoculars. Not sure what he is looking at though. Enjoy it while it lasts NEIL. Next year PCS funds will only run to a basement in the King's for the NEC.

Sea-Views must be sensitive. Apparently every FTO and member of PCS staff coming to Conference received an email earlier in the week telling them they had to be on their best behaviour, be very polite to hotel staff and particularly not to complain about not having a "sea-view" room. Any problems should first be referred to one of NIGEL "Pieman" PEARCE'S minions. This step was taken at the request of the Brighton Centre.

Further news as we get it, but LU PCS full timers are supposedly meeting this week to discuss an LU GMB slate as the incumbents sold them down the river by negotiating an 8 per cent pension contribution for all staff while fighting for PCS members pensions. Who cares? They can afford it anyway, but it'll be interesting to watch the bun fight.

PFLCPSA NEWS

Purgatory Tuesday. You have to get through it in order to have any chance of experiencing the glories of Wednesday. But that really is all you can say in its favour. Still, the Sun is shining and the sea air will sweep away the alcohol related fugue so why not pop out for a constitutional while you can. Just make sure you leave the card vote with someone reliable.

It might even be warm enough to promenade in **T Shirts** and we have your size in this year's exciting and innovative design, an aqua-cerise-hologram*. Yours for a very competitive £12.

Daytime communications can be passed to any Imam still awake using most recognizable British dialects excluding, mainly, whatever it is that Steve Richardson speaks, but, sadly he can't be with us this year. On the down side, we're all suffering partial hearing loss resulting from our overdose of 70s Rock Bands so you'll have to speak up. Or write it down.

Late breaking news will be collected in our reserved corner of the OLD SHIT 'twixt 10 and 11pm. Dropbox@pflcpsa.com is where you can send stuff after that (and around the year, come to that) and senior agents have the usual private channels available up till 3 am.

If you can't manage to feed us useful tidbits or tittle tattle, you can still contribute to the cause by chucking a donation in the box. You all know your duties. Go to it...

*viewable only under 10 metres of pink tinted sea water

All the labor of man *is* for his mouth, and yet the appetite is not filled. Ecclesiastes 6:7 Eastern Occidental