

DIRECT
Industrial Workers of the World



ACTION
An Injury To One - Is An Injury To All!

NO PLATFORM! NO QUARTER!

LABOUR MOVEMENT MUST RESIST RACIST HATE!

Members of the Industrial Workers of the World were on the ground in Drogheda in January to confront Hermann Kelly and his racist goon squad in the Irish "Freedom" Party.

A broad coalition of leftists, trade unionists and ordinary people who simply don't care for bigots massively outnumbered the IFP and its supporters.

Kelly's attempt at a speech was disrupted, drowned out and rendered inaudible. The people of Drogheda made it clear that the racism and homophobia of the IFP will not be tolerated.

A spokesperson for the IWW who attend the counter protests said that "The IWW is committed to anti-racism and anti-fascism; it always has been and always will be. We welcome all nationalities, cultures, genders, and creeds.

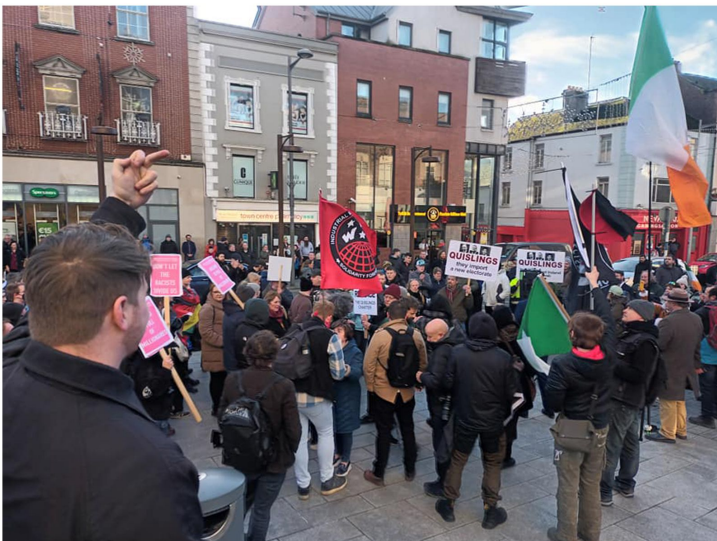
"The working class is strongest when we stand together. We will not allow these bigots with connections to the recent coup attempt in Germany to divide us.

In the workplace or on the streets we will never tolerate bigots; they will be confronted and they will be stopped. We go where they go!"



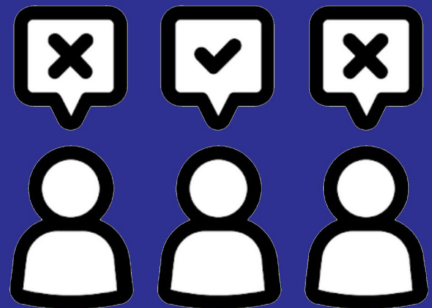
Since Drogheda there has been a number of other protests planned by a small number of far right groups however at every stage, similar counter protests have been held in an attempt to shut down these anti-refugee or anti-migrant protests.

There is no doubt that these protests are being used by the far right in an attempt to build in working class communities across the country. Equally, as workers, we too have to organise against this racist hate, both within the workplace and in our communities. In doing so the labour movement has a vital role as part of any resistance to it.



On The Streets: Drogheda counter protests against racist hate

IWW REGIONAL ELECTIONS



The IWW regional elections within the union are currently taking place online. Each member has been issued an email (check junk box or spam mail) for easy link directions on how you can vote.

PLEASE MAKE TIME TO PARTICIPATE AS IT ONLY TAKES A FEW MINUTES.

English Language Workers Solidarity Action in Dublin



IWW MEMBERS ON THE STREETS:
TEFL workers solidarity action outside the British Study Centre in Dublin

Last month, IWW Dublin members popped along to #BritishStudyCentres in central Dublin, to show solidarity and support with TEFL workers who are demanding better working conditions for all #BSC staff. Workers deserve respect, dignity and decent contracts.

#TEFL #ELT @hughdellar @ELGazette @TEFLology @WOCinELT @beworkersunite @IWW-Manchester @IWWBrighton @IWWire

BLOODY SUNDAY SOLIDARITY

Thousands marched through the streets of Derry, Ireland on Sunday marking the annual Bloody Sunday massacre. A tragedy which took place in the Bogside area of the city 51 years ago this year.

A horrific event which has not just impacted upon the lives of those murdered or injured a day, but also upon the population of Derry itself. Undoubtedly, Sunday 30th January 1972, is a date forever etched on the minds and lives of those from the city.

A day when the notorious first battalion of the British Parachute Regiment were let loose by their masters and the British establishment on an outlawed, unarmed civil rights demonstration in Derry. A deliberate action by the state that resulted in thirteen people murdered and seventeen wounded, another was to die as a result of their wounds. The majority of whom were members of the local trade union movement.



The legacy of that faithful day was prominent in the minds of those in attendance as the March for Justice set off in the Creggan area with a leading banner that read 'an injustice to one is an injustice to all'. The march, as it always has done, travelled the same route as the original Civil Rights march of 1972. Attended by a series of community and social justice groups, along with trade unions, political organisations and the non-aligned members of the public.

Expressing their support and solidarity, local members of the Industrial Workers of the World in Derry were joined by fellow workers from across different parts of country as well as England.

They took their place behind the family of miscarriage of justice prisoner and fellow worker, whose banner demanded the immediate release of both John Paul Wootton and Brendan McConville, together known as the Craigavon Two.

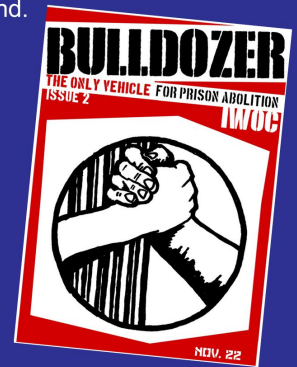
BULLDOZER #2 OUT NOW!

The second issue of the Incarcerated Workers Organising Committee zine **BULLDOZER**: The only vehicle for prison abolition! AND is available free to prisoners or by donation for supporters and solidarity.

BULLDOZER is written and produced by incarcerated workers in Ireland is a zine for prison abolition. Prisons are tools of oppression. Tools that are used by Governments to discipline the working class and repress political dissent.

To find out more about the IWW and IWOC or to contribute to Bulldozer write to:

Bulldozer P.O. Box 346 Derry City, BT48 4FZ, Ireland.



DERRY RADICAL BOOKFAIR

In January local wobblies and members from across the WISE-RA area took part in this years Derry Radical Bookfair. It was an opportunity to meet and greet old and new members who travelled to the city. Members had their own IWW stall and chatted to the public on the work of the union.

As part of the days events IWOC held a successful discussion workshop on writing to prisoners which was well attended.



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