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## RESOURCES

### **International Workers Memorial Day Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2012 TUC Day of Action to Defend Health and Safety against government attack on regulation, enforcement & compensation**

International Workers Memorial Day is to

**Remember the Dead** – all those killed at and by work almost always by avoidable incidents or illnesses  
And

**Fight like hell for the Living** – all workers and everyone affected by work activities, against this government attacks that will inevitably kill, injure, and make many more of us ill.

In 2012 the TUC is calling on health and safety representatives, trades councils, all trade unionists and workers, to make 28th April a Day of Action to defend health and safety from this government's attacks on regulation, enforcement and compensation which will make workers less safe, less healthy, and will mean more are killed, injured and made ill by their work. Our health and our safety is under attack like never before. All that we have now that was won by the collective action of generations of workers and trade unions over the last 50 to 100 years, is under threat, standards will be driven backwards. We are in a fight for our lives – deaths at work and ill-health are already rising - and must defend health and safety for our own sake and that of future generations. As 28<sup>th</sup> April is a Saturday this year, we want to be out there in public, in our towns and cities, making the case that workers health and safety is public health and safety too, that it isn't a joke, but is about everyone's lives and health. Lobby your MP, and take part in the closest event with union banners, placards and wreaths.

**TUC Day of Action Resources:** See TUC Workers Memorial Day pages <http://www.tuc.org.uk/wmd>

Poster: <http://www.tuc.org.uk/tucfiles/196/FightingforourlivesPoster.pdf>

Leaflet: <http://www.tuc.org.uk/tucfiles/197/FightingforourlivesLeaflet.pdf>

Bulletin 1: Defending Regulations: <http://www.tuc.org.uk/workplace/tuc-20513-f0.pdf>

Bulletin 2. The need for Enforcement: <http://www.tuc.org.uk/workplace/tuc-20522-f0.pdf>

Bulletin 3: Compensation under threat: <http://www.tuc.org.uk/workplace/tuc-20636-f0.pdf>

Bulletin 4: Occupational disease a time bomb government ignores: <http://www.tuc.org.uk/workplace/tuc-20780-f0.pdf> A list of events across the country, plus more on lobbying and using press, keep checking this webpage.

**For more information, resources, images, ideas, and a global listing of activities see: ITUC, Hazards WMD pages:** <http://www.hazards.org/wmd/>

**For background to Workers Memorial Day** <http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2011/06/wmd-2012-leaflet1.pdf>

**For Safety Reps Guide to Workers Memorial Day** <http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2011/06/safety-reps-guide-to-wmd-2012.pdf>

**Events:** Find one near you by checking TUC listing: <http://www.tuc.org.uk/workplace/tuc-20489-f0.cfm>

#### **North West Events**

**Blackburn: Blackburn and district Trades Union Council event on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April**

Assemble 13.00 at the Town Hall step, speakers; 13.45 march to WMD Tree at Northgate led by lone piper. 14.00 2 mins silence and laying of wreaths. Contact Sec. Ian Gallagher, [ig@eyegal.demon.co.uk](mailto:ig@eyegal.demon.co.uk)

**Bolton - to be confirmed**

**Chorley: Chorley Trades Council event on Friday 27th of April**, service & speakers meet at Park Gates, Astley Park, Chorley 17.45, bring flags and banners. Contact Sec. Steve Turner, [secretarycdtc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:secretarycdtc@hotmail.co.uk)

**Liverpool: UCATT event on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April** UCATT Memorial, Hunter Street at 11.45 a.m. Speakers: Luciana Berger, MP; Councillor Frank Prendergast, Lord Mayor of Liverpool and Bill Parry, UCATT Regional Council Chairman. Contact UCATT Tel: 0151 228 8455

**Liverpool: Merseyside District joint union event on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April** at 12 noon, at South Piazza of Georges Dock Building (Corner of Mann Island and the Strand) Pier Head, Liverpool L3 1DD, Speakers including Len McCluskey Gen Sec UNITE, local trade union and business community, Merseyside Asbestos Victims Group, Maria Eagle MP, solicitors. Contact John Sheridan 07814 197734

**Manchester: Joint Union event on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April** March & Rally. Assemble at 12 noon at CIS Building, corner of Corporation St/ Miller St. with banners; march off at 12.30 led by Lantern Band to Albert Square. 13.00 Minutes silence, speakers include union safety representatives, families of people killed by work (FACK), G.M. Asbestos Victims Support Group, Tony Lloyd MP, music by Claire Mooney. Contact [mail@gmhzards.org.uk](mailto:mail@gmhzards.org.uk)  
Flyer: <http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2012/02/wmd-manchester-flyer-final.pdf>

**Preston: WMD Committee event Saturday 28th April** gather at 11.30am in Flag Market, minutes silence at 12 noon, service and speakers, more information from [http:// www.lancashiretradeunions.org.uk](http://www.lancashiretradeunions.org.uk)

**Lobby your MP** : see list of Greater Manchester MPs with contact details, make an appointment to lobby in the two weeks before 28<sup>th</sup> April, <http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2011/06/g-mr-mp-contact-details-2012-final.doc>

#### **Statistics:**

Globally Every year more people are killed at work than in wars – 2.3 million worldwide the International Labour Organisation estimates.

Hazards Campaign real numbers killed at & by work in G.B, Safety & Health Practitioner, December 2008: **'The Whole Story'** : <http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2011/06/the-whole-story-shp-december-20081.doc>

Great Britain and North West Statistics for 2010/11:

<http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2011/06/gmhc-stats-updated-february-2012.doc>

Great graphics on the numbers from TUC: <http://www.tuc.org.uk/workplace/tuc-20771-f0.cfm>

**Ribbons:** Purple Forget-me-knot ribbons £30 per hundred inc. p&p, order form

<http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2012/02/wmd-order-form-20121.doc>

**'Union Workplaces are Safer Workplaces' car sticker** price £25 per hundred, order form:

<http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2012/02/wmd-car-sticker-order-form.doc>



**Stationery/lapel stickers** for use at events or mailings: sheets of 12 labels 60P each + P&p

<http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2012/02/wmd-sticker-order-form.pdf>

**'We didn't vote to die at Work' T-shirts** available for £6 including postage sizes s,m,l,.xl,xxl,xxxl and limited number of children's sizes. [http://www.hazardscampaign.org.uk/docs/wdvtaw\\_tshirts.pdf](http://www.hazardscampaign.org.uk/docs/wdvtaw_tshirts.pdf) Great for those organising and speaking at events, staffing stalls, stewarding marches.

The 2012 Workers' Memorial Day poster from Hazards/ITUC <http://www.hazards.org/gallery/workkills.htm> is available in A 3 and A4. We still have some stocks of 'We didn't vote to die at Work' and 'Job Killer' see images at <http://www.hazards.org/wmd/images.htm#hazards> For free posters available in A3 & A4 sizes - send your postal address and the number of each size you want to [mail@gmhzards.org.uk](mailto:mail@gmhzards.org.uk)

*We would appreciate donations or sponsorship of Hazards 2012 Conference which keeps the price down for delegates and supports our campaign work throughout the year*

**Hazards Campaign set up THE 'We Didn't Vote to Die at Work' in July 2010 against government attacks:**

keep up to date: <http://www.hazards.org/votetodie/>; and join us on Face Book:

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/group.php?gid=123746101003963>

**We Didn't Vote to Die at Work leaflet** outlining government lies and our truths:

<http://gmhzards.files.wordpress.com/2011/06/updated-wdvtaw-leaflet-february-2012.pdf>

**Families Against Corporate Killers DVD 'Face the FACKS; the human cost of workplace killing'** £10 see

<http://www.hazardscampaign.org.uk/fack/resources/facethefacks.pdf>