LET'S CONTINUE TALKING ABOUT PEACE

Who profits from war? What is the nature of peace? How can we further peace? Where is the moral leadership?

> An open public meeting at the Art Studio Centre for Science and Art 13 Lanedown, Stroud @L5 1BB

Wednesday 21st June, 7 pm

Free entry donations to cover costs

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For Mahatma Gandhi, "The very first step in non-violence is that we cultivate in our daily life, as between ourselves, truthfulness, humility, tolerance, loving kindness." And for Plutarch, "What we achieve inwardly will change outer reality".

How is it that we seem so addicted to war; and what are the political, cultural and psychological shifts that need to occur for peace to become a societal norm, and war a thing of the past? This open public meeting is part of an ongoing series seeking to enable a deep conversation about peace and war, from historical, political-economic, psychological and spiritual viewpoints.

ALL WELCOME!



LETTER OF THE DAY

"Where is the peace movement for Ukraine/Russia conflict?"

The Russo-Ukrainian conflict is becoming a slaughter with no end in sight. The simplistic propaganda narrative that Putin randomly went mad one day and invaded Ukraine in a fit of expansionism... fails to acknowledge the well-documented role of US and NATO shenanigans in fomenting this conflict.

The bitterly suffering Ukrainians whom our 'leaders' claim to champion won't benefit much from a pyrrhic victory at the price of reducing their country to rubble (or radioactive debris).... The Military Industrial Complex and the shadowy elites behind it are set to be the only winners here.... US/NATO victory via Ukrainian proxy forces will win us no spoils.

This war must be ended now by a negotiated peace, but where is the Peace Movement to demand it? Where is the Nuclear Disarmament movement? Could it be that even in radical Stroud none now dare dream of an end to the threat of nuclear war, if not an end to the irredeemably corrupt institution of war itself?

I have written to our MP demanding the government immediately push for a ceasefire and a negotiated peace to be followed by pursuing multilateral nuclear disarmament.

Kevin Towell, Stroud

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"If you want to make peace with your enemy, you have to work with your enemy. Then he becomes your partner."

Nelson Mandela