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Newsletter of the CWU London Regional Education & Learning Committee



## Learning at Work Week 19th—25th May 2014

Learning at Work day is becoming Learning at Work Week.

The annual 'Adult Learners Week' which used to include 'Learning at Work Day' is changing to become a two month festival of learning.

With the change of arrangements for a whole week of learning activities in the workplace any planned event can be run at anytime during the 'Learning at Work Week'.

The theme for this year is 'Learning Connections' which has been chosen to reflect the changing nature of learning and will include; 'Learning through connecting people and places'; 'Learning through brining together knowledge and ideas'; 'Learning through personal journeys'; 'Learning in the digital world'.

'Learning at Work Week' activities can take place in any office or building, you don't need to have a Workplace Learning Centre to be able to run an activity. Further support and resources are available from NIACE, the Campaign for Learning and unionlearn.

#### Campaign for Learning website:

http://www.campaign-forlearning.org.uk/cfl/News/ learn-

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NIACE website: http://www.alw.org.uk/london

If you are planning an activity there is a limited amount of funding available from the London Region Learning Fund to support branches that are running an event.

## Six Book Challenge 2014

It's not too late to join the Reading Agency and run a 'Six Book Challenge' event in 2014. The Reading Agency have print materials and incentives available for purchase from their website (see the link below). Those who take part and record their reading choices will be awarded a 'Six Book Challenge Certificate' and other prizes can be purchased from the Reading Agency to encourage members to participate.

Anyone can take part and the reading can be from any publication, such as magazines and newspapers as well as books. Further details are available from the Reading Agency via the following link:

http://readingagency.org.uk/adults/quickguides/six-book-challenge/

### Joint Regional Learning Event

The London, East and South East Region
Learning Committees are planning to run a
joint 'Learning Event' which will be to
launch a new ULR Best Practice Guide regarding how Equality issues affect participation in learning by reps and members.
The new guide is being written following
the workshop that was run at the CWU ULR
Networking Event at the Elstead Hotel in
November, and will be based on the current best practice already in place and address the barriers identified by the delegates who attended the workshops held at
the Networking Event.

Further details will be circulated when a date and venue for the Learning Event have been confirmed.



# **Education & Training**

Justice is the goal, solidarity is the tool, education is the key!

# LEARNING SERVICES FOR LONDON BRANCH MEMBERS

The following services are available to all London Branches.

A set of flyers advertising the following learning services have been sent out to all branches and ULR's for distribution to members.

- 1)CWU Education & Training website-Lifelong Learning for CWU members
- 2) 'CWU Learning for All' website for London Region Learning Centres
- 3) Dyslexia Assessment Screening
- 4) Regional Learning Resources
- 5) UK Online
- 6) IAG Services

#### **ULR Courses**

ULR training at Alvescot Lodge is available on the following dates:

<u>Union Learning Reps Part 1 Course</u> Monday 3 - Friday 7 February 2014

<u>Union Learning Reps Part 2 Course</u>
Monday 20 - Friday 24 October 2014

Applications can be made at any time. Closing dates TBC.

It would also be possible to arrange Regional ULR training in London if there are enough applicants available to attend. A Branch Survey has been sent out to try and generate enough interest for a London Region ULR Part 1 course.

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