

# “Word”

Newsletter of the CWU London Regional  
Education & Learning Committee



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## CWU Left Click

### e-Learning

The CWU Education and Training Department launched their brand new online learning platform ‘Left-Click’ at a lunchtime fringe meeting on the opening day of Annual Conference in Bournemouth.

During a short video presentation outlining how the e-learning portal offers Union Learning Reps, Industrial Reps and members the chance to develop new skills and learn at their own pace, in their own time and at a suitable place, Trish Lavelle Head of Education and Training, explained how ‘Left-Click’ aligns with the union’s mission to education, agitate and organise.

‘Left-Click’ currently offers around 30 courses of about 20-40 minutes in length made up mostly of ‘how-to’ guides and presentations on a variety of subjects from basic IT training to dealing with the media.

When asked about a strategy to promote ‘Left-Click’ as widely as possible, Trish outlined how locally ULRs would be involved in the rollout but beyond that Regional Committees would also be briefed to encourage branches and members to get involved.

For more information about ‘Left-Click’ use the following link to watch the [launch video](#) and you can [register today](#) to enhance your skills.

## CWU Digital Photography

### Competition 2014

The CWU has again decided to run a digital photography competition as part of our informal learning project. This competition is open

to all CWU members and their families.

Our Learning Reps have enabled hundreds of our members to undertake Digital Photography and Photoshop courses. The opportunities offered by mobile and Smart phones mean that many of our members have a digital camera in their pocket to record the world around them.

**The overall winner of the competition will win a £200 gift voucher.**

The winning entries will be judged to be the most visually appealing interpretations of the brief, capturing on camera the spirit of the chosen theme and their overall impact and composition. Digital manipulation is acceptable but not necessary. To assist our judges please add a short explanation of how and why the photo was taken.

**You can enter up to one photo in each of the following categories**

- *A Window On History*
- *Class!*
- *Our Inter-connected World*
- *Precious Moments*
- *The Spirit Of Nature*

Entries should be sent via email to [learn@cwu.org](mailto:learn@cwu.org) by **midnight on the 26th October 2014**. Entrants must supply their name and email address. We regret that we are unable to accept postal entries.

Click here for [Terms & Conditions](#). If you have any queries please contact Simon Massen at [smassen@cwu.org](mailto:smassen@cwu.org)

## ULR Annual Networking Event

The CWU Annual Networking Event for 2014 will be held in **Belfast on 19th and 20th November**. Further details to follow when they are announced.

## 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:

### Union Learning Reps Part 1 Course

### Union Learning Reps Part 2 Course

**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.

## Contact Details

Please contact any of the RLC Officers for further details.

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