

a radical, autonomous  
social centre in Leeds

# events

## Jan/Feb 2010

the  
**common**  
place



**THUR 14 JAN EVENT** 2pm **Refugee & Asylum Seekers' English classes** Open to all. Free.

**MEETING** 7pm **Inductions** If you would like to run an event at The Common Place come along. Please e-mail [cpbookings@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cpbookings@yahoo.co.uk) to say you're coming, otherwise we won't turn up, thanks.

**FRI 15 JAN GIG** 9pm **Let's Be Friends** Playing Antifolk, Indiepop, Folk and Punk music, and of course all sorts more.

**SAT 16 JAN EVENT** 12pm **Common Conversation** Free conversational English classes for asylum seekers and people of refugee status and a social space. We need volunteers! You don't need to come every week (unless you can), once a month would be great. Contact: Tommo ([kingubito@gmail.com](mailto:kingubito@gmail.com))  
**EVENT** 4pm **Arabic Common Conversation** Language exchange between Middle Eastern refugees and Arabic students. Contact: Ella Volkman: 07972061165

**GIG** 8:30pm **Buffet...** it's a nice spread + Portable Pony Irregular disco for queers, straights and everyone inbetween, playing a nice spread of indie, rock, pop, riot and charity shop rarities. Plus live music Portable Pony. [www.myspace.com/buffetdiscos](http://www.myspace.com/buffetdiscos) Contact: [buffetdisco@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:buffetdisco@yahoo.co.uk)

**TUE 19 JAN MEETING** 7:30pm **Leeds Friends of the Earth** Leeds FoE is an environmental justice campaign group affiliated to the national Friends of the Earth organisation. It is largely autonomous, and is self-funded (by its own members and their fundraising activities).

**WED 20 JAN MEETING** 6:30pm **Climate Camp Yorkshire neighbourhood meeting** Organising meeting for climate camp related activities and outreach as well as building a social movement to challenge the causes of climate change. Food will be provided by the Cafe Collective.

**THU 21 JAN EVENT** 2pm **Refugee & Asylum Seekers' English classes** Open to all  
**MEETING** 5:30pm **Save Leeds Market** Open to all. Contact: John Ward - [jdward100@hotmail.com](mailto:jdward100@hotmail.com)  
**MEETING** 7:15pm **Bookings Collective** Working group. Contact [cpbookings@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cpbookings@yahoo.co.uk) if you want to get involved.  
**MEETING** 8pm **Common Place Meeting** 1st half is for people - anyone! - who want to find out about TCP and maybe get involved, as

well as people currently involved who want to have a chat about what's going on. 2nd half is a meeting of the Collective, the members of which make decisions about what's going on at TCP. Non-members (of the Collective) can attend but only in a non-decision making capacity. The Collective is based on: direct democracy and participatory empowerment, proactively welcoming anyone to join; that decisions should be made by the people who do the work, keep themselves informed and regularly turn up to meetings.

**SAT 23 JAN EVENT** 12pm **Common Conversation** Free conversational English classes

**EVENT** 4pm **Arabic Common Conversation**

**SUN 24 JAN EVENT** 12pm **Lilac social - Burns lunch** Event for friends and members of Lilac - Low Impact Living Affordable Community - see [www.lilac.coop](http://www.lilac.coop). Contact: [kirsty\\_hughes@yahoo.com](mailto:kirsty_hughes@yahoo.com)

**MON 25 JAN EVENT** 6pm **Autonomous struggles in Latin America**: A discussion evening Join us for an evening of discussions on the global nature of *horizontalidad* (horizontality) and the construction of autonomous horizontal relationships with Marina Sitrin, author of 'Horizontalism: Voices of Popular Power in Argentina', and Demitri Prieto, a Cuban horizontalist. Free. Contact: [p.chatterton@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:p.chatterton@leeds.ac.uk)

**TUES 26 JAN MEETING** at 6:30pm **Leeds Permaculture Network** monthly social: film showing: Polyface Farm Pot Luck dinner followed by film and open discussion. Contact: [lpn@permaculture.org.uk](mailto:lpn@permaculture.org.uk) 0113 2623536

**WED 27 JAN MEETING** 6:45pm **Cafe Politique** An evening of fine food, drink and heated debate and discussion. First half will be dedicated to a talk and discussion then we will share a tasty vegan meal together. Contact: [platypus@riseup.net](mailto:platypus@riseup.net)

**THURS 28 JAN EVENT** at 2pm **Refugee & Asylum Seekers' English classes** Open to all. Free.

**MEETING** 6:30pm **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING** We need to make some decisions that are crucial to the future of the Common Place, please come if you can. We have incurred a debt of £15,000 for court costs. A few options available at the moment are:  
1) Work really really hard to pay off the debt,

possibly arranging long-term payment in installments;  
2) If we feel this isn't possible, wind up Leeds Social Centre Ltd (the legal structure behind the Common Place);  
3) pursue a Judicial Review, challenging the court's decision.  
Food will be served on a first come first served basis at 6.30pm

**SAT 30 JAN EVENT** 12pm **Common Conversation**  
**EVENT** 4pm **Arabic Common Conversation**  
**GIG** 8-3am **Trouble @ Mill** Bands: China Shop Bulls, Ghetto Blaster  
DJs: Immi, Quip, Busmonitor, BattleScar, Wrexile  
All monies raised to the Royal Park School Consortium  
Contact: [domanoid@hotmail.com](mailto:domanoid@hotmail.com)

**TUE 2 FEB MEETING** 7:30pm **Leeds Friends of the Earth**

**WED 3 FEB MEETING** 6:30pm **Climate Camp Yorkshire neighbourhood meeting**

**THU 4 FEB EVENT** 2pm **Refugee & Asylum Seekers' English classes** Free, open to all.  
**MEETING** 5:30pm **Save Leeds Market** Open to all.  
**MEETING** at 7:15pm **Bookings Collective**  
**MEETING** 8pm **Common Place Meeting**

**SAT 6 FEB EVENT** 12pm **Common Conversation**  
**EVENT** 4pm **Arabic Common Conversation**  
**EVENT** 9pm **Opportunities**

**SUN 7 FEB CINEMA** 7pm Film showing A season of films every other Sunday

**WED 10 FEB MEETING** 6:45pm **Cafe Politique** Contact: [platypus@riseup.net](mailto:platypus@riseup.net)

**THU 11 FEB EVENT** 2pm **Refugee & Asylum Seekers' English classes** Free. Open to all  
**MEETING** 7pm **Inductions** e-mail [cpbookings@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cpbookings@yahoo.co.uk)

**SAT 13 FEB EVENT** 12pm **Common Conversation**  
**EVENT** 4pm **Arabic Common Conversation**  
**GIG** 10pm **MY HEART IS A VITAL ORGAN**  
Fuck Valentines Day with Leeds Queers, £3 in Squeeird, Sapphic Traffic, Eat Yr Makeup

**SUN 14 FEB MEETING** 1pm **Industrial Workers of the World (IWW)** New group, come along!