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BUMPER ISSUE!



XRmk at



XRmk OUTREACH JUNE 2023

Saturday 10th June 10:30am until noon - location to be confirmed.

XRmk MONTHLY MEETING JUNE 2023

Monday 5th June 7-8:30pm - a zoom invite will be sent out beforehand.

GREENHAM WOMEN AT THE BIG ONE

Extinction Rebellion co-ordinated around 200 groups to be part of April's Unite to Survive weekend in London. Greenham Women picketed the MoD with XR Peace, joined the marches, took part in the workshops and listened to the speeches over four days of solidarity. Was it worth it? Conversations with the public were useful, learning from and with other activists was heart-warming but lack of media coverage and the continuing disdainful deafness from the Establishment is heart-breaking. We met many women who had been active at Greenham Common so we are expanding our group and with the support of Greenham Women Everywhere* and new and younger women, we intend to build on our heritage and are planning our future campaigns. We are proud to be involved with Extinction Rebellion.

*<https://greenhamwomeneverywhere.co.uk/>



FIND A GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK EVENT NEAR YOU

Be part of the UK's biggest celebration of action to tackle climate change and protect nature, taking place in communities nationwide from 10th to 18th June 2023.

<https://greatbiggreenweek.com/find-an-event/>

PUBLIC ORDER ACT - FREE WORKSHOP

With the Public Order Act and a general climate of repression, it's important to know our rights and not be frightened off. Garden Court Chambers--known for its legal support to environment and climate activists--has an upcoming free workshop. I'm told that online subscribers, if busy, can also watch it later on Youtube. Click the link to register. Weds 14 June, 17.30 – 19.00. The Public Order Act: where are we now? Online only.

<https://www.gardencourtchambers.co.uk/events/free-webinar-public-order-act-where-are-we-now>

ART IN THE PARK



A reflection from Art in the Park, by Patricia

Fantastic day at Art in the Park. Stalls displaying food, art, perfumes, clothes and information from all around the world. Old friends, new introductions, children everywhere, all of us mixed up together in a green field in MK with a fun fair on the side.

Amongst the thrilling, astonishingly vibrant parade of dancers, tabla drums going strong with their mellow insistent beat, came the surprising contrast of a small group from XR Rebellion. Their quiet presence made it appealing to dare to approach and ask a question and find that they seemed very far from the bunch of terrorists we'd been warned about. Having never met 'one' before, the realistic conversation (about flying) made us think about getting involved. The barrier between XR and the rest of us had been broken down just a little bit.

Upcoming events in MK include India Day, Doggy Do Day and African Day and many of us thought it'd be great to see XR there again. After all, we are all on the same side.