



A Branch Publication for Caerphilly UNISON Members

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Game, Set & Match Unison!

Are you ready for another great tennis-themed event and competition run by Caerphilly Unison? If you'd have seen our FB post then you'll know that next week we'll be taking our gazebo (definitely not a tent!) to Tir-y-berth, Ty Gradffa and Ty Penallta on the dates/times below:

Wednesday Tir-y-Berth 10th July 11:30am-2pm

Thursday Ty Gradffa 11th July 2pm-4pm

Friday Ty Penallta, Lawn Area, 12th July 11:30am-2pm

As well as the usual freebies membership benefits and advice there'll also be a **Tennis Spot-the-Ball** contest to win 2 Tennis rackets and a set of tennis balls so you can be the next Andy Murray (whom I've been told I look a bit like – if you squint? I don't see it myself...)

I hope to see you all there!



Campaign News

As you have probably seen the Branch hired a billboard for 2 weeks in June to highlight the necessity for domiciliary Care Workers to be registered. This was just part of a wider Social Care Campaign run throughout June by the Branch.

This campaign was highly successful and featured postcards, adverts in the local press as well as the usual posts on our Website and Social media. Steve was even asked to speak on behalf of the Branch at the All Wales Communications Forum under the heading: Branch Best Practice. This resulted in many other Branches within Wales not only complimenting the campaign but are now using many ideas from it such as the postcards.

As the phrase goes 'watch this space' for our next Billboard Campaign in December!



UNISON Caerphilly We care for care workers

Domiciliary Care Workers - did you know?

Social Care Wales is the body that deals with registering care workers in Wales. There is important information you need to know:

- You have to be registered by April 2020
- You have to pay a fee to register

We recommend that all registered care workers should join a union

joinunison.org 0800 171 2194



Members Competition

If you've seen our Facebook or Instagram pages this month you'll know that we have a new competition started for music lovers this summer.

If you are going to a gig/festival then contact me for a Unison poncho, take a photo of you wearing it at the gig, send it to me and you could wear a pair of Philips headphones!

There's a couple here and on our pages already for starters – the poncho has been seen at Elton John and Bon Jovi so far – so be it Glastonbury or Glaston-barry I want to see that poncho out and about this summer!

Good luck and 'Keep on rockin' in the free world'...



Member Benefits



LV= is UNISON's approved Car insurance provider and UNISON members have been enjoying exclusive discounts on LV= Car and Breakdown insurance for many years. We're excited to now offer UNISON members our new Multi Car policy that gives UNISON members discounts on every car. With this new multi car policy UNISON members can:

- Add up to **6 cars and 12 drivers** on one policy
- Add all cars at the **same time**, schedule some for **later** or add them in **afterwards**
- Choose the **cover level** and **specific optional extras** you'd like for each car
- All cars will share the **same renewal date**

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**A new Team
Event open
to all
Caerphilly
UNISON
members,
organised by
Caerphilly
Golf Society**

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**Enter individually
and Teams of 3
or 4 will be
randomly drawn
on the day**

**Top 2 scores
from each team
on each hole
count**

**We welcome all
players.**

**NB: Maximum
handicap
allowance is
18**

At

Bryn Meadows Golf Club



Wednesday 10th July

Meet 12:15 p.m.

Draw for Teams 12:30 p.m.

First Tee Off time 1:00 p.m.

Please contact Dave Lucas to register your interest: lucasdj@caerphilly.gov.uk

NB – Payment of the £28 fee will be required at least 1 week before the event

NB – Each Player's Individual scores will be entered into the ongoing CCBC Golf Society League

Recruitment

YOUR BRANCH NEEDS YOU!



The more of us there are, the louder our voice and the stronger we are in defence of each other. It's that simple.

Our reps and activists

The UNISON workplace rep or steward is the most important link between the union and our members.

Workplace reps play a number of roles.

- They are organisers who talk to, recruit and organise members around workplace issues, hold meetings, undertake surveys and help run ballots.
- They give members information about union issues by publicising campaigns, distributing leaflets and keeping members informed about - and involved in - local negotiations.
- They are advisers and sounding boards, talking to members about workplace problems and - if they feel confident - giving advice on how to deal with these.
- They may arrange for a member to get advice or assistance from elsewhere in the union, or work with them to obtain the information they need.
- They are representatives for members in their workplace.

What are the roles of Stewards and Officers?

Stewards: elected representative whose role includes organising, recruiting and representing members.

- **Health and safety reps:** we aim to have at least one health and safety representative in every workplace to raise issues which affect the health and safety of members.
- **Workplace contacts:** not a recognised steward but someone who helps distribute information and supports a steward, they play an important role in helping groups of members to organise effectively.
- **Branch officers:** elected by members at a branch AGM, these are members whose role is to help run a branch bringing together members who may work for a number of employers.

There are vacancies at all levels of the branch so please call Caerphilly Unison on [01443 863279](tel:01443863279) for further information on how you can get involved and help the Branch. Full training is provided and you can do as much or as little as your time will allow and full training and support by the branch is provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE OR FOR IDEAS FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER CONTACT THE UNISON BRANCH
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