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Industrial Workers of the World

An Injury To One - Is An Injury To All!

WELCOME TO THE IRELAND BRANCH!

So you have joined the Industrial Workers of the World and want to know what part you can play to help build the union in your workplace or where you live?

Since we established the IWW Ireland Branch in 2018, we have grown throughout the country. We now have members in most counties in Ireland.

As a new member you will be put in touch with your nearest organiser, or active branch of the union closest to you.

Members meet locally each month in different areas to discuss, organise and support members seeking advice and information.

We also campaign in different areas as well as take part in solidarity work with other workers in struggle, promote the union and encourage other workers to join us in an effort to build and make the union stronger.

Members meet online nationally on the first Sunday of every month, to update and discuss activity around the country receiving area reports and sharing other information on IWW internally via **JITSI**.

Information and regular updates on these meetings are emailed as well as posted within our internal discussion forums such as **INTERWOB** and **WOBCHAT**.



ON THE STREETS:
IWW Ireland play an active role in supporting workers in struggle

BECOME ACTIVE - GET INVOLVED!

PLAY AN ACTIVE PART IN THE IRELAND BRANCH

The Industrial Workers of the World has an amazing past and shows clearly that its strategy and way of organising has the potential to help organise our class.

The IWW is **NOT** a historical reenactment group but a fighting union created by and for its members.

In order for us to grow bigger and stronger we need members to actively engage in the union. Taking up roles, to help unionise your fellow workers in your work-

place and your community.

You can help educate yourself and other members by taking part in IWW training courses for workplace representatives and organiser training.

Take part in IWW events or help organise one that will continue to build the union. Attend in solidarity pickets, strikes or protests when possible and ensure the IWW is visibly represented. **Each of us has a part to play in the IWW!**

ONLINE FORUMS: INTERWOB & WOBCHAT

These internal forums are for members of the union only.

This membership section hosts discussion forums where important union-wide, open discussions take place on union business, policy and structural/administrative issues.

You will see that there are many different threads relating to various sections of the union.

You can find areas of interest and participate in discussion forums for the branch(es), Industrial Union Networks, Organising Regions, Departments, Committees, and various affinity networks.

This is why we really encourage you to connect read and participate in the forum discussions as it will help you become an active member wherever you live.

INTERWOB: forum.iww.org
WOBCHAT: chat.iww.org.uk

If you need any help with logging in, or assistance then contact:

ireland@iww.org.uk

Merchandise & Material

If you have joined the IWW and there is no active members near you then consider becoming active where you work or live.

You can receive an information pack of IWW information leaflets on Why and How to join the union and distribute. You can receive an IWW stickers pack to put up at your work or area to let others know that there are wobblies organising.

To request these all you need to do is email the national secretary at: ireland@iww.org.uk

You can purchase IWW merchandise such as t-shirts, badges, hats, posters, flags etc.

Check out our online shop: www.shop.iww.org.uk/

WORKPLACE REPRESENTATIVE & ORGANISER TRAINING

Every few months the IWW Ireland Branch creates training sessions for members. This is to ensure that every member can gain knowledge and understanding of workplace organising and up-to-date knowledge on workers rights at and how best we can unionise to fight back.

Notify the branch secretary that you would like to attend these training sessions so you too can help support, defend and unionise your fellow workers.

IWW ONLINE & SOCIAL MEDIA

The IWW Ireland Branch has a very active online presence posting news on workers in struggle and IWW activism around the country.

You can play a role in making this even better by LIKING and SHARING news items and posts from the various Facebook pages: IWW Ireland, IWW Dublin, IWW Cork, IWW Galway, IWW Belfast, IWW Derry or IWOC Ireland.

If you come across interesting news items of workers in struggle or protests then you can PM the social media pages with the link for us to share also.

If you are good at creating graphics or posters then offer to help. Likewise if you are good at writing articles, news stories or reporting on news from your area then please get in touch at:

ireland@iww.org.uk

INCARCERATED WORKERS

Incarcerated Workers Organising Committee has members across the country, both north and south, and play a vital role within the IWW in an effort to support and show solidarity with members on the inside. Our work forms part of ongoing outreach to incarcerated workers across Ireland and discussing issues important to them.

To date we have slowly increased contact with prisoners who have been sharing news directly affecting their daily lives from Covid-19 health concerns to work issues, health and safety, training, and areas of educational needs.

IWOC members have created the BULLDOZER zine which includes news, writing, poetry and art.

If you are an incarcerated worker or you have a relative on the inside who you think would be interested in joining, consider getting in touch and organised with other IWOC members.

Facebook: IWOC Ireland
Email: iwoc.ireland@iww.org.uk

Or you can write to:
IWOC P.O. Box 346, Derry, BT48 4FZ, Ireland.

STRIKE SUPPORT!

If you're ever wondering where wobblies should be in times of workplace struggles then look no further. Members should attend picket lines to ensure greater solidarity with workers in struggle.

Assisting news and efforts by workers are highlighted on social media to mobilise local, national and even international support if needs be. Attend a picket line with the IWW banner or flag for a solidarity photograph. Interview a member on the picket line, find out why they are on strike and what people can do to help.

Help promote and share news of struggles on our social media wherever you live.

Supply music, noise, food and drink on the picket lines to boost morale so they know that they are supported in their fight.

Make a solidarity poster or make a donation for some hot drinks or foods.

SOLIDARITY IS STRENGTH!

THIS IS YOUR ONE BIG UNION!

The Ireland branch of the IWW has members in towns and cities throughout the country, both north and south, such as Dublin, Athlone, Cork, Derry, Belfast, Galway, Newry, Dungiven, Clare, Waterford, Donegal, Newcastle, Limerick, Portadown, Kildare and Tralee.

Our membership is wide and varied which so far includes workers in the public sector, construction, students, musicians, disabled, administration, artists, community, unemployed and hospitality workers and IT. You can help it grow further by playing an active role within the branch locally or nationally.

No matter how little, you can help make your union become stronger - Get Active!



IWW CONTACTS IN YOUR AREA

Members in each area meet each month to discuss, support and organise activity locally.

To get in touch with your closest local organiser and for other general queries email: ireland@iww.org.uk

For membership/dues queries email:
membership.ireland@iww.org.uk

For equalities & accessibility queries email:
equalities.ireland@iww.org.uk

You can also write to us at:

IWW Ireland
P.O. Box 346, Derry City, BT48 4FZ.