Community Unionism, Labour’s Future?

Workshop at the University of Wollongong,

Friday, April 18, 2008

Venue: Room 3, University Conference Centre on Northfields Ave, University of Wollongong.

Sponsored by the Gramsci Society (Asia-Pacific), the South Coast Labour Council, the Illawarra Branch of the Australian Labour History Society and the Faculty of Arts at the University of Wollongong.

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Program:

9.15 Welcome: Prof Andrew Wells, Dean of the Faculty of Arts

9.30 ‘Future Directions for Community Unionism’, Arthur Rorris, Secretary, South Coast Labour Council

10.05 ‘Building the Sydney Alliance’, Dr Amanda Tattersall, Unions NSW

10.40 ‘Communities and Unions’, Dr Mike Donaldson, Sociology, University of Wollongong

Chair, Dr Anthony Ashbolt

11:15 Morning Tea

11.30 ‘Unions and Governments’, John Rainford, Gramsci Society (Asia-Pacific)

12.05 ‘Union Land is Part of Community Land - So Let’s Ditch the Demarcation Line’, Sharon Callaghan, Community Sector Worker and Social Activist.
12.40  ‘Community Unionism, Lessons from the 1960s’, Dr Anthony Ashbolt, History and Politics, University of Wollongong

Chair, Dr Mike Donaldson

1.15  Lunch

2.00  ‘Community Unionism: Learning from the Past, Practicalities for the Future’, John Ryan, Community Campaign Co-ordinator, ACTU


Chair, Arthur Rorris

3.45  Afternoon tea

4.00  Lessons of the Day: Summing Up, Dr Bradon Ellem, Work and Organisational Studies, University of Sydney

4.30  Close

Chair, Dr Anthony Ashbolt

Details:

- Lunch, morning and afternoon tea provided
- Venue, Room 3, University Conference Centre on Northfields Ave, University of Wollongong.
- Talks, 20 minutes per speaker, 15 minutes discussion
- Panel, 12 minutes per speaker, and 15 minutes discussion
- Papers will published in a special issue of Illawarra Unity, the Journal of the Illawarra Branch of the Australian Labour History Society.
Getting to the University:

- www.uow.edu.au/about/transport/