

International Women's Day event, 3 March

We are co-sponsoring an evening at Antenna with the Notts NUT Womens Network (and Thompsons Solicitors) to promote and celebrate women's struggles and achievements locally, nationally and internationally. There will also be discussions about increasing violence against women, and sexism in our schools and workplaces. We're in the process of finalising the full programme and running order for the evening, but we've already confirmed some fantastic women speakers on the following topics:

- ❑ WASPI
- ❑ Womens movement in Palestine,
- ❑ increase in violence towards women since Brexit/Trump
- ❑ domestic violence
- ❑ combating sexism in our schools,
- ❑ Mental Health and Women
- ❑ Nottingham Womens Centre,
- ❑ Rosa's Lovely Daughters
- ❑ free buffet, raffle prizes.

Please click **here** to book your free ticket at Eventbrite <https://eventbrite.co.uk>



This years theme for International Women's Day (IWD) is #BeBoldForChange because alarmingly the World Economic Forum predicts the **gender gap won't close entirely until 2186.**

IWD, officially held on 8 March each year, is an opportunity for women to come together, to better understand the challenges facing them and to take

the message of gender equality out into their workplaces and their communities so that everyone can hear why we so badly need it.

For more information about IWD, please visit their website <http://internationalwomensday.com>

2017 courses at Nottingham Regional Office:

- ❑ Introduction to Microsoft Excel (1 day) 10 May 2017
- ❑ Build Your Confidence (2 days) 11, 12 July 2017
- ❑ Manage Your Stress (1 day) 9 October 2017
- ❑ Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint (1 day) 14 November 2017

For more information or to book a place on any of these course, please see the full course guide [here](#) or contact the branch on **0115 9810405**

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Get involved!

UNISON relies on its members and their time to run the union. UNISON workplace representatives (reps), stewards and other activists are the most important link between the union and its members.

You can commit as much or as little time as you need and in return you will be mentored and supported by the branch. If you hate inequality, love fairness and fighting for what you believe in, then why not consider becoming a workplace rep, health and safety rep or steward?

Speak with your UNISON workplace rep or contact the branch about how to get involved. Call 0115 9810405 or email branch.office@nottsunison.org.uk to find out more.

WOMEN'S SOG MEETINGS

UNISON women members are invited to attend the regular Women's Self-Organised Group meetings which are held in different areas of the county to give women more of an opportunity to attend. These meetings ensure that women can influence the campaigns and initiatives that our branch run and are involved with. Each year we select delegates to attend the UNISON Women's Conference and together we put motions forward on issues that our women members want to see raised nationally.

Please look out in your emails for the list of dates for our meetings.

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2 MARCH

Women's SOG meeting

Mansfield Civic Centre

1-2.30pm please ask reception for room details.

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International Women's Day event by NUT and Notts County UNISON

6.15 - 9pm

Antenna, Beck Street, Nottingham

More information on page 2.

25 MAY

Women's SOG meeting

Vision West Notts College, Mansfield

1-2.30pm please ask reception for room details.



There for You (confidential helpline run by UNISON) - 020 7121 5620

Samaritans - 116 123

National Domestic Violence helpline - 0808 2000 247

The Money Advice Service 0800 138 7777

Switchboard - the LGBT+ helpline 0300 3300630