

# National day of DIE-INS against war on Iraq

*When:* Monday 17 March

*Where:* In town centres, government offices  
and military bases across the country.



## **Obstruct & Resist!**

**A Week of Nonviolent Action to Stop the War  
17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2003**

Despite the polls, the Parliamentary rebellion and the massive anti-war March on February 15<sup>th</sup> Tony Blair is still set on waging an illegal and immoral war against Iraq. We need to move from dissent to nonviolent resistance.

Help make the 17<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> March a week of nonviolent action against the war. Start organising *your* action today!

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## Your *die-in* could:

- be a piece of street theatre or an act of nonviolent civil disobedience.\*
- take place in your town/city/village centre, your local war memorial, place of education or work, your local pro-war MP's office, military recruitment centres; the offices and factories of weapons-producing firms, petrol stations, military bases etc.
- be creative. Make props (bandages, shrouds, coffins); use fake blood (though be aware of charges like criminal damage!); have a flyer to distribute to the public; create a soundtrack; use a projector to create a suitable backdrop for your action ...
- involve hundreds of people – or just two!

## It's up to you!

For an information sheet about organising a die-in (including a generic flyer) contact ARROW: tel. 0845 458 2564; [pledgetoresist@onetel.net.uk](mailto:pledgetoresist@onetel.net.uk); [www.j-n-v.org](http://www.j-n-v.org). Please contact us if we can help to publicise your event.

\*If your *die-in* involves civil disobedience – ie the risk of being arrested for breaking the law (eg. by blocking a road) – then you may benefit from non-violence training, legal briefings and legal support for the day. Contact ARROW for more info.

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17<sup>th</sup> March: National day of *die-ins*

21<sup>st</sup> March: Day of workplace solidarity against war - workplace assemblies and various forms of industrial action.

22<sup>nd</sup> March: National Demo. at USAF Fairford. Assemble: 12 noon on the junction of High St/Park St. See [www.gwi.org.uk](http://www.gwi.org.uk).

22<sup>nd</sup> March: Foil the Base. *A day of peaceful creative direct action, music, speakers and a tour at US military base Menwith Hill, Yorkshire. Supported by CAAB and CND. Contact mail@now-peace.org.uk or 07905 913 139.*

### AN UNEXHAUSTED "DISARMOURY" OF POSSIBILITIES ranging from the perfectly legal to the eminently arrestable\*

*Arrest* – war criminals\*; *Blockade* – military bases and factories\*; *Buy* – a share in BAe Systems and go to their AGM; *Camp* – outside your local naval base, for a day, a week, a decade; *Climb* – military fences with good intentions\*; *Cycle* – around town as part of a "critical mass" action; *Die* – (symbolically) in town centres, at war memorials, military bases\* etc; *Disarm* – weapons systems with household hammers\*; *Elevate* – your conscience; *Fly-post* – and feel the glue dribbling down your forearms; *Garden* – dig-up the lawn of the Ministry of "Defence" and plant peas for peace\*; *Hold* – a People's Parliament in Parliament Square\*; *Imagine* – there was a war and only George, Saddam and Tony turned up; *Incite* – service people not to fight\*; *Inform* – service people of their rights; *Inspect* – your local military base for weapons of mass destruction\*; *Join* – hands between mosques and churches and synagogues; *Keep* – information flowing, especially to those with no access to the internet; *Leaflet* – your local street at lunchtime; *Lock-on* – to the gates of your local RAF/USAF base\*; *Make* – tea/love/faces not war; *Notify* – everything and everyone of your opposition to war; *Occupy* – military recruitment centres; *Organise* – nonviolence trainings and legal support; *Party* – for Peace, inside or outside, the noisier the better; *Paint* – messages for peace on Ministry of "Defence" buildings\*; *Perform* – street theatre; *Pray* – on a military runway\*; *Pour* – red paint outside your local army base\*; *Quit* – your military-related job; *Refuse* – to pay your taxes (or a portion thereof); don't fund the war machine; *Remember* – solidarity with refugees; *Risk* – your liberty; *Sign* – the Pledge of Resistance; *Strike* – phone in with better things to do; *Stop* – the City; *Support* – imprisoned war resisters; *Take* – care not to harm any living creature; *Undermine* – authority by obeying your elevated conscience; *Vigil* – in silence, with banners and placards; *Wear* – a badge; *Wear* – nothing, and cycle down Whitehall singing "Give Peace A Chance"\*; *Write* – messages for peace on your pound notes; *XYZ* – eXercise Your nonviolent imaginationZ

Let us know if you're organising an open action so that we can publicise it.

Don't know where to start? Check out the following on-line resources:

[www.j-n-v.org/pledge/activists.htm](http://www.j-n-v.org/pledge/activists.htm) (ARROW) & [www.schnews.org.uk/diysguide/](http://www.schnews.org.uk/diysguide/) (SchNews).