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Sean Hoyle for GS

You will soon receive ballot papers for the election of RMT General Secretary. This position is re-elected every five years.

There are two candidates

in the election - the current General Secretary, Mick Cash and former RMT President, Sean Hoyle. Branches may vote to support a candidate and at our last meeting, we voted to support Sean Hoyle in the election. It is important that everyone uses their vote.

Fleet Ballot Success

RMT Fleet members have voted overwhelmingly for strike action in opposition to plans to extend train preparation times.

Currently fleet depot staff prepare a train for service by carrying out checks every 24 hours. The company propose to extend this, meaning S Stock trains will be going **months** without being prepped fully.

Fleet staff will be taking strike action and during this, we would like to remind drivers that trains should **never** be taken into service unless you have evidence that they have been fully prepped.

Reporting Verbal Abuse

British Transport Police have been attending meetings with your Health & Safety reps and have agreed with us that all incidents of verbal abuse must be reported to them and an EIRF completed. Verbal abuse is if you are directly sworn at, threatened or insulted and it is an offence under the Public Order Act.

Obituary

It is with great sadness that we must report on the passing of two of our Branch members, Pauline Lewis and Malcolm Shaw.

Our thoughts are with their families, friends and colleagues at this sad time. Please reach out to someone if you have need to talk.



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Pay Ballot

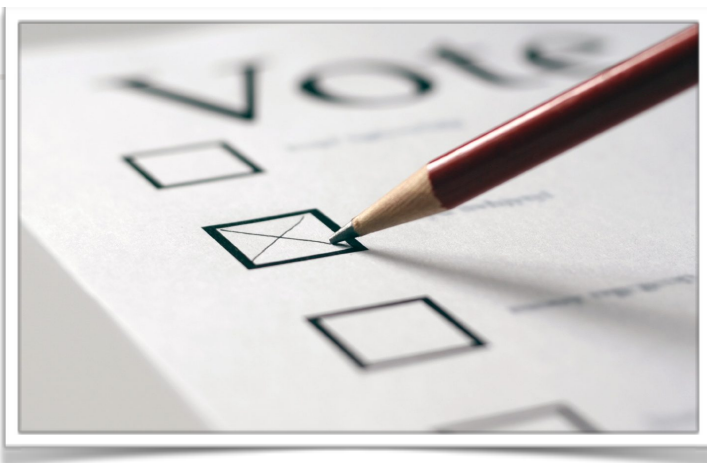
All members on London Underground will be balloted for strike action unless the company significantly improves on its insulting pay offer.

Our demands are:

- **A 32 hour working week** - studies show this greatly improves health, whilst also having a positive impact for the business
- Shift work shortens our lives and increases our risks of cancers, stroke and depression.
- **Abolition of CSA2 grade**
- **A decent pay rise** that reflects the value we have on the London economy and the profits we make for the company.

We can win all of these demands if we are united and willing to take action.

Your negotiating team will be meeting with LU soon for further talks



Could You Be a Rep?

We need someone to fill the position of Union Learning Rep for the H&C/Circle Line. Union Learning Reps assist people to access learning, whether that be formal qualifications like GCSEs or help pursuing other interests such as photography or yoga. You can make the role your own. You will be fully trained by the RMT and released from work to fulfil the role. You must work on the H&C to be eligible. Get in touch for more information.

LDI Success

Well done to Andy Bowen, IR rep at Upminster and Andrew Child, IR rep at C&H East who both had LDIs thrown out.

This is why you must always bring an RMT rep to you LDI



Cleaner rep, Shengyul Sali at the London May Day march



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Thank You Jeff

Barking Health & Safety Rep, Jeff Porter, has retired after 32 years in the RMT and on London Underground.

Jeff joined LU in 1987 and was an RMT member from day one. During his time, he has been an Industrial rep, he was Assistant Branch Secretary at Stratford, alongside Bob Crow. Jeff later went on to be a founding member of H&C Branch, where he was the Branch Secretary, helping the branch grow from 6 members to 250!

In recent years he has been a health & safety rep at Barking, as well as a ULR and our Branch's Assistant Chair. He will be greatly missed and we wish him a long and happy retirement.

Welcome to our new reps

We would like to welcome two new reps to the Branch - Luca Reina who is the new H&S rep for Barking H&C and Mani Khwaja who is the new IR rep for Revenue.

Are your details up-to-date?

It is vitally important that we hold correct contact details for you as well as updated details on where you work. You can check your details at RMT.org.uk or through the Branch

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 2ND MAY 2019
THE GALVANISERS UNION
DEVAS STREET
BROMLEY-BY-BOW
16:00 ALL MEMBERS WELCOME



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