



19 GENERAL STRIKE 26 ■ 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

10.00 to 12.30 - Barnsley Civic for breakfast and talks by leading historians of 1926 - more details overleaf

13.00 - Meet at the Key Workers Statue, Glass Works Square

13.45 to 14.30 - March with banners and the TEWIT SILVER BRASS BAND from town to the NUM building

14.30 to 15.30 - Keynote speakers at the NUM building, including Sharon Graham (Unite General Secretary)

15.30 to 16.30 - Performances by COMMONERS CHOIR and BARNSELY CARING VOICES at the NUM (free)

17.00 til late - Evening gig at VAULT 27 featuring KATRINA TIA CHARLES, THE PRIMEVALS, THE WAKES and FEROCIOUS DOG (acoustic). Tickets £15 + booking from tinyurl.com/Barnsley-GS100-gig or scan QR below

NOT A
MINUTE
ON THE DAY

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OFF THE PAY



TICKETS



HISTORY AT BREAKFAST

BARNSELY CIVIC
SATURDAY 2 MAY

FREE
10.00-12.30

Unite the union is hosting an all day commemoration in Barnsley of the 1926 General Strike.

Start the day at Barnsley Civic with a free cuppa and bacon sandwich, and a big serving of working class history.

THE GENERAL STRIKE ALONG THE RIVER THAMES

Matthew Lee (library worker) and Callum Cant (Senior Lecturer, University of Essex), editors of Notes From Below and co-authors of 'The Future in our Past: The General Strike 1926/2026' (Verso, 2026)

This talk will outline the events in class struggle along the River Thames, and their importance in making and breaking of the General Strike

PITS, PICKETS AND PRISON CELLS: BRINGING THE GENERAL STRIKE INTO THE CLASSROOM

Dr Dan Edmonds (Inclusive Histories, Royal Holloway University of London)

This talk will explore how the stories of three activists, Communist MP Shapurji Saklatvala, Cramlington miner and train-wrecker Bill Muckle, and Labour Party Chief Women's Officer Marion Phillips, can be used to show key themes of the General Strike for young people while inspiring future generations of activists

DEFENDING THE CONSTITUTION: VOLUNTEERS IN THE GENERAL STRIKE OF 1926

Dr Liam Ryan (Teaching Fellow in Twentieth-Century British History, University of Oxford)

This talk will examine the role of middle-and upper-class strike-breakers in 1926

COUNCILS OF ACTION

Edd Mustill, Unite shop steward and author of 'Britain's Revolutionary Summer: The General Strike of 1926' (OneWorld, 2026)

This talk will look at how trade unionists organised the strike on the ground

LABOUR WOMEN AND SOLIDARITY IN THE STRIKE AND LOCKOUT

Janet Hughes, history lecturer

This talk will cover the multiple roles that women played during the events of 1926

PLUS

- Free refreshments and breakfasts, supplied by Old George café
- Exhibition by local photographer Les Monaghan
- NUM archive exhibition by Sarah Hughes, University of Warwick Modern Records Centre



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