



# BURSTON STRIKE SCHOOL RALLY

**Sunday 6th September 2009**

11am to 4.30pm, Church Green, Burston, nr. Diss, Norfolk

## Guest Speakers:

**LUIS MARRON**, Political Counsellor, Cuban Embassy

**RICHARD HOWITT**, MEP

**TONY BENN**

**DIANA HOLLAND**, Unite Assistant General Secretary

**JOHN HEGLEY**



Chaired by MEGAN DOBNEY (SERTUC Regional Secretary)  
and MIKE PENTELOW (Landworker)

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**Live Music Session** - Salsa / folk for a sunny afternoon

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- Paseo Malanga Carnival Band
- Children's fun area
- Food and beer tent
- Campaign and community stalls

**\* Burston Strike School - The Longest Strike In History \***

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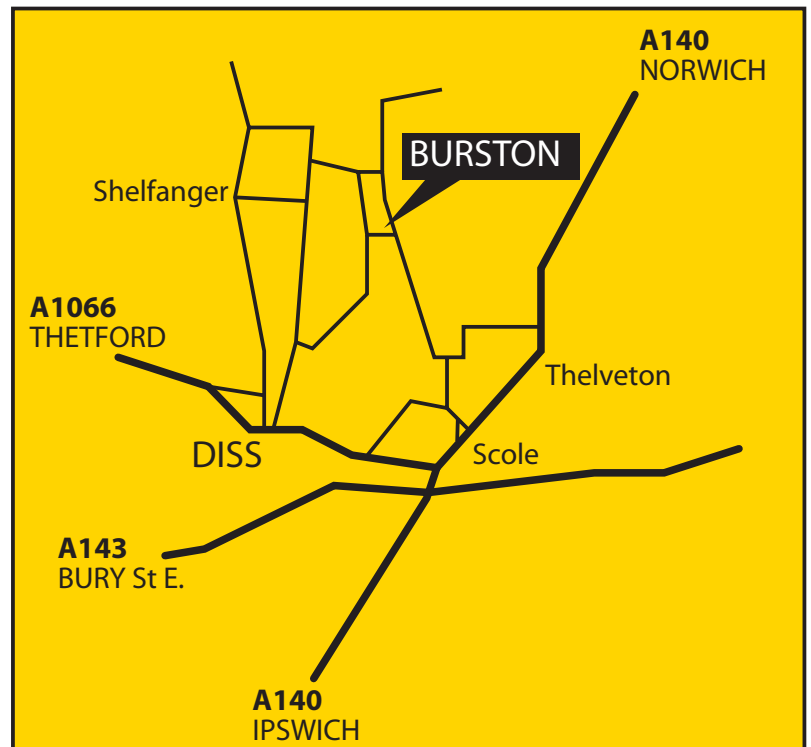
Join us at Burston to commemorate the longest strike in history, and to celebrate the people who continue to fight for trade union rights, working class education, democracy in the countryside and international solidarity.

In April 1914, Kitty & Tom Higdon, loved and respected teachers at Burston Village School, were sacked for their socialist and Trade Union views.

The pupils walked out in support and from then until 1939, the villagers and the Higdons ran the 'Strike School', providing an education for local children.

Times change, but the struggle in rural areas for economic and social justice continues.

This year at Burston we highlight the working conditions that many migrant workers, and particularly our Portuguese and Polish colleagues, endure working for agricultural gangmasters and in some food processing plants.



## Português

Nunca foi fácil para os sindicatos organizar trabalhadores em zonas rurais, tanto na Inglaterra como em Portugal, ou em qualquer outro país.

A festa comício de Burston comemora uma greve que aconteceu há 95 anos mas a luta pela justice social continua hoje, em 2009.

Há milhares de trabalhadores Portugueses, e de outras nacionaldades, a trabalhar nesta zone de Norfolk em agricultura, fábricas, processamento de alimentos, etc, cujos salaries e condições de trabalho são péssimos.

Este dia em Burston é parteda luta para que estes trabalhadores obtenham justice e igualdade de direitos. Traga um picnic e junte-se a nós nesta confraternização.

## Polskie

Związki zawodowe wiedza dobrze jak wazne jest zeby organizowac I zrzyszac pracownikow pracujacych poza miastami, to znaczy na wsiach. Jest taka sama potrzeba tu w Angli jak w Polsce lub w jakim kolwiek innym kraju.

Obchody w Burston zorganizowane przez T&G swietuja 95 rocznice strajku dzieci szkolnych w Burston. Wiemy ze walka o sprawiedliwosc spoleczna jest kontynuowana tez w dzisiajszych czasach.

Tysiace pracownikow z Polski i z innych krajow pracuja w Norfolk w przemyśle przetworstwa spozywczego ale warunki i stawki nie sa sprawiedliwe.

Obchody w Burston to jest czesc naszego wysilku aby kazdy pracownik ktory pracuje w tym kraju mial sprawiedliwosc, rownosc, godnosc i szacunek w pracy. Serdecznie zapraszamy was na te obchody. Przyjdziecie z rodzina i piknikiem i bawcie sie razem z pracownikami roznnych narodowosci.

