

FOR THE RECORD

News from your RMT rep on the Liverpool Street Group

June 2009

Industrial Action

The Recent Strike

From the General Secretary
Uncle Bob Crow

On a normal day 522 trains are run across the combine. Taken as a percentage, and at mid peak times (0900 and 1800) the best 'service' they ran amounted to 28% on Thursday (0900). However, take away the Northern and Jubilee Lines the best 'service' they could run across the combine was 17% for Wednesday and 19% for Thursday.

The strike caused massive disruption despite the attempts of the press to portray it otherwise, of course on one hand they were saying trains were running and on the other admitting that there was major disruption that was costing the capital millions of pounds. The truth is they ran a skeleton service at best -which no one used!

On another note I have received a letter of support and fraternal greetings from the General Secretary of the Underground Union in Buenos Aires, Argentina, stating that they support us in our struggle against LUL.

It's ironic that we get support from trade unionists across the globe but some of our sister trade unions in the underground are doing all they can to undermine the dispute. They will, of course be quite happy to benefit from any agreement we reach – sheer hypocrisy.

Unity is Strength

King's Cross Goes It Alone

Barbican and Farringdon join the Liverpool Street Group.

A couple of weeks ago I was officially informed that the



the King's Cross group is being made smaller as the station is set to increase in size with the opening of the new northern ticket office!

The station which was opened in 1863 had 67.7 million passengers enter and exit in 2008 which is 3 million more than came through Liverpool Street in the same period, and three times more than travelled through Moorgate!

Massive redevelopment is necessary for the Crossrail project to be completed as well.

This is bound to have an impact on the way we work at Aldgate, Liverpool St, and Moorgate. For one thing it is entirely likely the reserve CSAs and Supervisors will be familiarised at Barbican and Farringdon and there is a *rumour* that Barbican and Farringdon will have supervisor rosters which have them working at Aldgate station, in the way that Rostered CSAs at Liverpool Street will soon be performing duties at Aldgate.

It does seem, however, that whilst we will gain another DSM we shan't get an extra AG1!!!

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UNION BRANCH MEETINGS

When:

The FIRST Wednesday of each month at 5pm.

Where:

The Exmouth Arms, Starcross Street NW1.

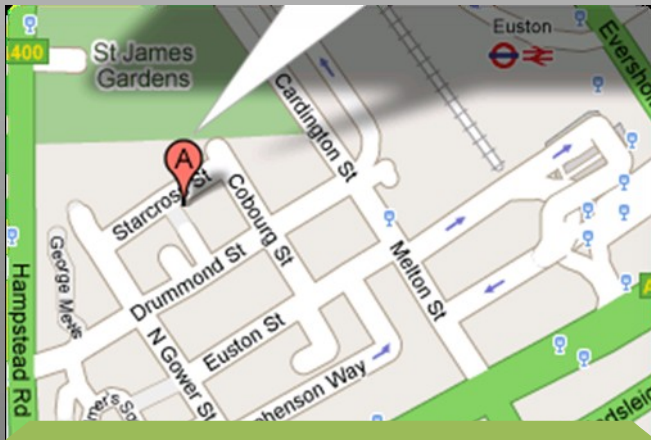
Why:

To find out what LUL are doing and planning to do. To find out how RMT will response To build a network of members with a common purpose. To hear different views, give your own, and ask questions – and even get answers!

To have a drink with your mates and relax after a day's hard graft!

How:

By TUBE of course, with your colleague, to Euston Square – it's a short walk down North Gower Street.



Know Your Rights



Need to contact



Got a problem?
Need help, advice, representation?

Is there an issue at work that you would like the union to take up with management?

Perhaps you would like to get more involved in the union, come to meetings and help with campaigns?

Check out our website for station and revenue staff:
www.rmtplatform.org.uk

Your first point of contact is **your local RMT representative**, who is:

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CSA ROSTER REVIEW

Rostered staff at Liverpool Street station will soon have a 22 week roster as the result of a SATS review. It is hoped that the roster will be in place from the 9th of August 2009.

There are several benefits to the new roster:

- ✓ There will be four new rostered staff.
- ✓ The new roster is largely the same as the current 18 week roster.
- ✓ The four additional weeks are Monday-Friday shifts.
- ✓ During the week there are now three dead late and dead early duties – something we have often asked for.
- ✓ At weekends there will be three rostered staff on duty almost until close of traffic.
- ✓ Some reserve staff will now be rostered – a big welcome to the lucky ones!
- ✓ 15 out of 22 Sundays are Rest Days, that means 68% of Sundays in this roster are Rest Days – this compares favourably with other groups.
- ✓ Five dead early shifts have been shorted from 04.55-12.55 to 04.55 – 10.55.

Rostered Liverpool Street CSA's will now be required to work at Aldgate Station to perform platform duties. The schematic requires 3 hours of platform duties but you are all reminded that 2 hours of platform duties is the maximum you can be required to do without a break.* This has been confirmed by RMT Functional Rep, Employee Relations and I am assured by DSM Abbas Taher that staff carrying out their duties will be relieved once two hours of duties have been completed.

* Stations & Revenue Control Health & Safety Council Meeting No. 4, Thursday 31st May 2001 at 11:00 hours in Conference Room B, Western House page five minute 55/00

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