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# UNIONLEARN NEWS

# Festival of Learning

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## Unionlearn Support Festival of Learning

Festival of Learning ran from 1st May to 30th June, encouraging adults to try something new and take part in lifelong learning with a new course everyday. Unionlearn supported the Festival and was a key point of contact for the courses provided. Learn with Aegis teamed up with Future Learn who provided courses covering a wide range of subjects from Anatomy to Storytelling.

Learn with Aegis hosted taster events across different branches in England to raise the profile of available learning opportunities (Pictured: Festival of Learning event in Charlton Kings on 16th June).



## Learn with Aegis were at National Careers Service Event

Project Worker Caroline Plum was a speaker at the National Careers Service event "Yorkshire and the Humber - an inspiring place to be" (pictured below). The event was held on Wednesday 16th March at The Tetley, Leeds. Caroline spoke on Employer Perspective of the Impact of the National Careers Service Inspirational Programme.



## Learn with Aegis Featured on TUC Unionlearn Website

Unionlearn put under spotlight two of Learn with Aegis case studies, highlighting the impact the project has in the workplace and on individuals' self development.

First of these case studies tell of ULR Conrad Bateman's journey with Learn with Aegis. Conrad Bateman is a Union Learning Rep with responsibility for promotion of the ULF project in Skipton. Upon attending stage 1 ULR training course in January he found the motivation to pursue his desire to set up and run an online Ebay shop trading in specialist caving and camping lamps as well as to develop an ability to deliver peer-to-peer advice and guidance to colleagues, which he obtained via attending the ULR stage 2 training.

Unionlearn also featured the case study of Katherine Salkeld, who was inspired to change her career with the guidance of Learn with Aegis. Katherine Salkeld had been a Customer Review Adviser based in Blackburn who came on board as a ULR in November 2014. Getting back into supporting learners at work as a ULR re-sparked an interest in wider education and teaching with Katherine and In September 2015 she enrolled on a college course to commence training to become a teacher.

**Join our team!** If you are interested in becoming a Learning Rep, contact us at [enquiries@aegisunionlearn.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@aegisunionlearn.co.uk)



Learning something new is for everyone! This summer why not think about learning something different and start by refreshing your Maths and English. Check our website for available courses!

### Stage 2 Training for Reps

Following the successful recruitment drive for new Aegis Representatives, we organised training for the new reps. The reps initial training was provided by the GFTU (General Federation of Trade Unions), who designed a new initial course which they delivered during June in Manchester.

At the end of July we arranged for a group of Reps to attend their second stage of training in Bradford and we are pleased to announce that all passed their training and have qualified to assist members in Grievance and Disciplinary cases.