

**just a part
of the
subversive
past of SE1**

Blackfriars Bridge: Gordon Rioters burning tollbooths 1780; Chartists fighting police 1848; Queen Victoria booed by republican crowd 1869



The Rotunda, radicals' meeting place, 1830-33.
Richard Carlile, Robert Taylor, & National Union of the Working Classes.



The Albion Mills, burned down March 1791 to great rejoicing...

The medieval Bankside brothels were often attacked in the rowdy apprentice Shrove Tuesday feasts, an annual headache for the powers that be.

Coin Street: residents oppose development & eviction, successfully, 1970s-80s.



Paris Gardens, 16-17th Century pleasure gardens, for strolling, drinking, bowling and gambling. Fave meeting point for conspirators and spies.

Giordano Bruno, heretic, alchemist, cosmologist, "madde preist of the sunne" lived in Paris Gardens, 1580s. Theorised that the Earth revolved round the Sun - the Church burned him at the Stake after years of imprisonment, 1600

Waterloo Station, Sept 12th 1992: 100s of Anti-fascists gather & beat the crap out of 100 nazi skins meeting to travel to a Blood & Honour gig.



Meymott St: SE1, radical paper covering Waterloo/North Southwark, founded 1975. Anti-development, local housing and community struggles against council & all...

The Ring, August 1918 mass rallies of 4000 striking women bus (and tram) workers fighting for equal pay.



Feminist pioneer Mary Wollstonecraft lived Dolben Street, 1797

Mary Wollstonecraft

The Cut: Notorious for gin shops and pubs early 19th century.



strikebreaking car overturned, Blackfriars rd, May 1926 General Strike

Nelson Square: Radical romantic poet Percy Bysshe Shelley lived No.26 1814; Fenian bombers at no 17 1883; No 44, Blackfriars Settlement: Family Squatting Advisory Service based here 1974.

Waterloo Fire Station: Squatted by homeless in cold winter 1988, then evicted & became a yuppie bar. Urrgh!!

Waterloo Rd, July 1917: Sylvia Pankhurst speaking at street meeting against war, for 'Peace, Socialism and Votes For All'

Afford St, Oct 12 1952: 300 unemployed besieged Southwark Relief Office after an unemployed family are refused a dole payment: dispersed by cops.

Loman St/Gt Suffolk St: 2001-4 Bacon Factory squatted 4 times, by Section 6, Wombles and others for living, gigs, organising, cafes etc...



Shelley

R. Hoe Ltd, printing press manufacturers Borough Road: the most militant workforce in South London 1920s: in "open revolt" before and during General Strike

Mayday 1949: police attacked a 100-strong march in Waterloo rd celebrating workers day, leading to a riot... Mayday 1950, same thing happened at same place!

123 Blackfriars Rd: 'Break Inn' Squatted pub 1991 - anarcho punk gigs



Frazier St: a WW1 Deserter escaping guard ran down, to Pearman St, where he was shot dead by soldiers. Calls for a plaque!



c. 1818: Squatters in caravans living here

St George's rd, General Strike, May 5th, 1926: strike breaking No.12 bus to Peckham burnt out

St George's Circus, unemployed central: c. 1905 100s in mass unemployed meetings here; 1921: Sunday morning meetings for unemployed; October 1932: unemployed march ends in looting & rioting & crowds fighting cops all over SE1.

St George's Fields: favourite spot for rebellious gatherings: Civil War rowdy apprentices, Wilkes and Liberty crowds, King Mob, 1790s radical reformers, Gordon rioters, outcasts and rebels, squatters and ranters...

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