

**AMICUS EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS, 2003.
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO INDUSTRIAL SECTOR**



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TIME SERVED MAINTENANCE FITTER

AMICUS/AEEU MEMBER - 33 YEARS

SHOP STEWARD AND SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE - 17 YEARS

CHAIR - 1901 NEWCASTLE CENTRAL BRANCH

**DELEGATE: THE TYNE AND BLYTH CONFEDERATION OF SHIPBUILDING AND
ENGINEERING UNIONS, NORTHERN PENSIONS RESOURCE GROUP,
AEEU POLICY CONFERENCES - 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001 AND 2003,
TUC CONFERENCES 2001 AND 2003.**

LABOUR PARTY MEMBER

**DELEGATE ON THE AMICUS/AEEU NORTHERN REGIONAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE.
ELECTED DELEGATE LABOUR CONFERENCE 2003.**

**CERTIFICATE OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN TRADE UNION AND LABOUR STUDIES AWARDED BY
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHUMBRIA.**

**EMPLOYED - SCOTTISH COURAGE BREWING LTD.,
TYNE BREWERY
NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE, NE99 1RA.**

SERVICE - 30 YEARS

**CRAFT REPRESENTATIVE -
SCOTTISH & NEWCASTLE plc EUROPEAN WORKS COUNCIL**

WHAT I STAND FOR

Initially, I wholeheartedly wish to thank all the shop stewards who nominated me and have signified their support in order that I am able to stand as a candidate in the election for a seat on the new Amicus National Executive Council.

- ❖ Support collective bargaining.
- ❖ Negotiating good terms and conditions, raising skills and improving job security for members.
- ❖ Strong workplace structures where there is regular contact between union reps and members.
- ❖ A balance of power in the workplace where the union is seen as having enough influence to make a difference to employer decisions.
- ❖ Protecting workers against unfair treatment.
- ❖ The repeal of anti-union laws inherited from the Tories.
- ❖ Campaigning for the same employment protection for UK workers as in the rest of Europe.
- ❖ Occupational pensions are deferred wages, I want 100% protection of pensions.
- ❖ The restoration of the state pension 'earnings link' and a living wage state pension.
- ❖ To promote 100% Equal Opportunities and fight all forms of discrimination: race, gender, disability, sexual orientation and age.

IMPROVED DEMOCRACY AND GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY

Two crucial objectives for our newly formed Union.

- ❖ Democratic elections at all levels of the Union, including full-time officers.
- ❖ Free up Branch funds - allow Branches to give solidarity to workers in dispute.
- ❖ For a fighting campaigning Union that will represent the interests of the members - not the bosses!
- ❖ Stop food industry price wars, which directly affect the workers ability to achieve decent wage rises
- ❖ Campaign against indirect taxation in the drink and tobacco sectors. Stealth taxes are costing our industry members their livelihoods, and undermining their job security

Photocopy and circulate this leaflet, and in the forthcoming ballot please support my candidature for the Amicus Food, Drink & Tobacco Industrial Sector Executive position.

Amicus unity gazette

For a democratic union controlled by the members

We are standing for election as part of a group of candidates committed to returning the union to its members. We are supported by Amicus Unity Gazette, the grouping that was central to Derek Simpson's election campaign, bringing together activists from both AEEU and MSF.

For more information, see www.amicusunitygazette.com or write to Bill Young, 22 Swale Road, Rochester, Kent ME2 2TT. If you want to send a donation, please make cheques payable to "Engineering Gazette".