

Start date

15 September 2024 - 11:00

End date

15 September 2024 - 16:00

Location

Cradley Heath

Who's it for

All PCS members

The Women Chainmakers' Festival is a family friendly event, bringing alive memories of the past whilst inspiring visions for the future through street theatre, re-enactments, live metalworking, political stalls and speeches, music, children's activities and entertainment.

Featuring a number of guest speakers including PCS General Secretary Fran Heathcote, and a 'Mary Macarthur' in period costume delivering one of Mary's rousing speeches. A procession of modern unions and 'strikers' will take centre stage dressed as Edwardian chainmakers, the festival ensures that this historic episode is celebrated by the local community and trade unionists from all over the country.

There is much to celebrate and commemorate about the women Chainmakers of Cradley Heath and, sadly, their example and circumstances remains relevant to many working in Britain today.

The Chainmakers' Festival brings the Black Country community together with the Trade Union movement. Through examining our history we can deliver a better future for women and our wider society.

PCS will be holding a stall at the festival, pop along and say hello! See what we have to offer and bring family and friends along too. The event location is situated a short walk from Cradley Heath train & bus station.

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