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Interview with Peter Jones

Hobart Tasmania

Dates - Part 1: February 21st 2019. Part 2: March 7th 2019

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	Interview Part 1 of 2 parts
0:00	Born in Dorset. Cornwall. Father's and mother's families. Conscientious objectors. Grandparents. Education. Socialism
3:34	Influence of socialism on working men's education. Maternal grandfather. Poole. Labour Club. Poker machines.
6:00	Father's family. Plymouth Brethren. Christ's Hospital school. Cambridge student christian movement. Grandparents.
8:21	Father. Congregational church. Pacifism. Socialism. Father went to German youth camps 1930s. Religious conscientious objector.
10:40	Peter's childhood. Talked about religion and politics at home. Prisoners of war in England visiting the house. Stamp collecting. Refugees coming to the house too.
12:50	Parents active in nuclear disarmament movement. Living in Bath as a pacifist amongst people who worked in the navy.
14:25	Went on Aldermaston peace march with parents. Development of peace symbol, 1958.
16:32	Aldermaston peace march. Formed youth group, Bath. Quakers. Attitudes to 'greenies' (Tasmania). Attitudes of media to peace marchers in England.
19:00	Nuclear testing in Australia. Young people and climate change. Threat of nuclear war in 1950s. Learnt organising. Being different as a young people. Peace movement.
21:59	Start of Amnesty International 1961. Letter to the paper by Peter Benenson
23:56	Amnesty International. Adopting three prisoners. Letter writing. Cold War
26:53	East West Friendship Society. SERVAS. Parents brought foreign students home. African countries. Movement for Colonial Freedom. Anti-apartheid movement.

29:00	Went to Nelson Mandela's cell at Robben Island.
29:30	Senator Jo Vallentine. Parliament House Canberra. Met Nelson Mandela 1991.
31:25	During school years, involvement with Oxfam, Anti-apartheid movement. City of Bath Boys School. Links with Malawi.
34:00	Studied modern history at Oxford University. Bath. History.
35:50	Entry to Oxford. Daily routine of study, politics, and running. Debating at Oxford Union.
38: 25	Varying interest of young people in issues. Ruling class students at Oxford. Running. Geoffrey Archer, novelist.
41:00	Oxford. Teaching methods. Studying history. Nineteenth century history. Political rebels sent to Tasmania
43:06	Tolpuddle Martyrs. Did Thesis on the Levelers and the Diggers.
44:18	University, choice of study. Decision to devote life to social change activism.
45:36	Quaker overseas voluntary service. Teacher at Quaker school, West Bank, Ramallah.
49:33	1967. School was bombed while Peter was there. Build up of tensions in Palestine and surrounding countries. Bombing of Ramallah by Israel. Six Day War.
55:22	After the war went to Jerusalem. Has visited the Quaker school again over the years. Ramallah. Strong interest in Middle East.
58:26	Worked on kibbutz at Nazareth. Comments on Middle East. Life on kibbutz.
1:02:42	Returned to Oxford university to study education.
1:03:56	1968. Demonstrations against Vietnam War. Marches. Debates at Oxford Union. Labour Government. Labour Party. George Lansbury. James Keir Hardy.
1:07:31	Left Labour Party. Membership of Welsh Nationalists. Achieving change through changing policy. Political parties.
1:10:22	Study at Oxford. Teaching. Ackworth (Quaker) School. Took year off teaching to organise a peace group, Fellowship of Reconciliation, in North England. Northern Ireland.
1:14:40	Nonviolent Action training. Working in Northern Ireland with youth group.
1:18:01	Worked for campaign to end capital punishment at age 12. Role model, Peggy

	Duff. Successful campaign. Peace movement hasn't been successful.
1:20:08	Catholic Worker Movement. Dorothy Day. Activism. History.
1:22:08	Work with Quakers in Philadelphia. Quaker Action Group. Heard Martin Luther King speak in London. Martin Luther King.
1:26:55	Quakers in America. Movement for a New Society. Non Violence Action training. Arrested in Britain during protest about public transport. Activism. Philadelphia.
1:33:31	Non Violence Action in 1970s. Teaching. Took students on a lot of excursions. Manchester. Gandhi.
1:36:39	Went to India. Gandhi. Quakers in India.
1:37:31	Came to Australia. Disillusioned with teaching. Decided to travelled the world for four years to learn first hand how the world works. South Africa. Namibia. Linking with activist groups in Europe. Cyprus.
1:43:32	Went to Africa. Namibia. Hitch hiked via Egypt, Sudan, Ethiopia. In Addis Ababa during coup. Kenya. Mugged in Tanzania. Met up with parents. Travel in Africa. Soweto.
1:48:22	Travel. Quaker network. Namibia. Visited uranium mine. Travelled back through Africa. Hitch hiked through Europe. Worked with Namibia liberation group. Back to Middle East. India. Visited Gandhian program.
1:53:49	Travelling the world to meet activists and learn how the world works. Burma rma. Thailand. South East Asia. Arrived in Perth. SERVAS.
1:56:39	Had planned to set up a radical activist community in Britain after the four years of travel. Went to Australia, New Zealand. Moved into Quaker community in Philadelphia. Quaker, Donald Groom. Invited to take up Quaker fellowship in Australia.
2:55:50	Ends
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0:00	Donald Groom Fellowship. Donald Groom in India. Quaker farm in India. Nonviolent Action training.
4:40	Mass arrest in New Hampshire, America against nuclear power plants. Nonviolent Action. Arrested. Helped as a language translator for police. Greenpeace protest march London to Paris against nuclear testing in the

	Pacific. Arrested. Helped as a translator for police.
8:36	Protest in Seattle against Trident submarines. Nonviolent Action
9:30	Nonviolent Action training with groups in Australia. Campaign against uranium mining. Friends of the Earth.
11:56	Nonviolent Action training workshop format. Use of nonviolent action in Franklin River blockade (Tasmania). Tasmanian Wilderness Society.
16:44	Decision to move to Australia. Peace movement in Britain. Work in Britain. European Nuclear Disarmament movement.
19:56	Ploughshares movement East Germany. East Germany.
22:24	Beginning of Green parties in Australia, Tasmania. Employment with Quakers in Canberra. Overland travel across Asia. Japan anti-nuclear movement. Quakers in South Korea. Linking with groups Asian countries.
29:07	Global networks, peace and human rights groups.
31:12	Returned to Australia to work for Quakers. Based in Canberra. Quaker Peace Committee. Nuclear Free Pacific campaign. Pacific Council of Churches.
34:28	Bob Hawke prime minister. Nuclear Disarmament Party (NDP). Jo Vallentine elected as NDP senator. Peter worked with her as research officer. Visit from German Greens.
39:14	Jo Vallentine. Peter working in Canberra. Beginnings of protests throughout history. Women in parliament.
44:26	Finished working for Jo Vallentine. Moved to Tasmania to work as teacher at Friends School. Cared for his (adopted) daughter.
46:28	Working as a teacher. Role of parent. Role of teacher. Completed Masters degree in Tasmanian history at University of Tasmania.
49:02	Involved in activist groups in Tasmania. Peter Singer. Peter gives away a portion of his income.
50:25	Students who are activists. Role of family.
51:43	Education. Taught religious studies. Organised student excursions to Vietnam and India.
54:20	Religious studies. Student excursions to Melbourne to meet Jewish and Islamic communities.
56:04	Retired from teaching. Volunteers with Migrant Resource Centre to work with

	refugees.
59:04	Reflections on life time of activism and social change. Successful campaign to end capital punishment. Other successful campaigns. Peace movement hasn't achieved much. Gallipoli. Nuclear arms race.
1:04:13	Daughter from Vietnam. Advice to young activists.
1:06:12	Reflections on capitalism, socialism, Quaker businesses, distribution of wealth, happiness, greed
1:13:38	Secular and faith based peace movements. Lifetime commitment to causes by people of religion. Living as Quaker. Reflections on Quakerism.
1:19:51	Ends