

OBITUARY ANDREW GLYN 1943-2007

It is my unfortunate duty to announce the extremely sad news that Andrew Glyn is no longer with us. He died peacefully and with his family around him on 22 December 2007. It was the end of a very quick process caused by an inoperable and very aggressive brain tumour which started to reveal itself at the LoWER/Equalsoc inequality conference of the end of September 2007.

His untimely death leaves his family and his many friends bereaved. During the illness Andrew remained as joyful as he always was. Andrew and I have been friends since the early 1970s and I praise myself lucky to have witnessed his kind cheerfulness over so many years – a most consistent and outstanding personal quality, and a very important reason that he will be sadly missed.

*Back then he published (with Bob Sutcliffe) **British Capitalism, Workers and the Profits Squeeze**. The reputation this bestowed on him never changed his characteristic modesty, that inseparable companion of his cheerfulness. Last year he worked hard to write **Capitalism Unleashed**, once more the thought-provoking product of an independent mind, and again a sign that the times are changing, hopefully swinging the pendulum away from narrow-minded textbook economics. Between the two books lies a very productive life dedicated to the good causes of equality and justice and always attempting to let the scientific work be part of life more broadly.*

In the LoWER network he has been a very good friend and encouraging colleague and a very reliable contributor from the start in 1995 and over the 12.5 years that have passed since. His interest and involvement in the earlier DEMPATEM and the recent Handbook projects was of great support to me. It is very sad that he has not been able to give his chapter on “The Functional Distribution and Inequality” the final touch himself. The network will commemorate Andrew at its concluding conference in Amsterdam, 18-19 April.

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