



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

LONDON DETAILS: OCTOBER 16

As we have no knowledge of local transport to the ARA central London demonstration, NAFA members are encouraged to now join the Unity demonstration outside the BNP headquarters at Welling.

A group of NAFA members will be on the YRE coach and we would encourage people to come with us. If you are worried about going on your own NAFA will "look after you" - ring Jo on 423066 if you need to talk to someone in advance, or if you need transport to the pick up points which are... Hucknall Market: 8.30 Bulwell Bus Station: 8.50 Hyson Green Post Office, Gregory Boulevard: 9.05 Meadows Bridgeway Centre: 9.20. Tickets are £2 minimum, and they can also be bought in advance at Mushroom Bookshop - ask for the YRE coach for the 16th.

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Monday October 25th, 7.30 pm at the Friends Meeting House, Clarendon Street.

Ray Hill

on Inside the Far Right.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to new members, we are now mailing out to more than 150 addresses (some are affiliated groups, some have more than one member at the address). If any new member, or older member for that matter wants to find out more about how we work or to get seriously involved, come to a business meeting or ring Ross on 582506. Ray Hill was a leading nazi who 'turned', acting as a mole for Searchlight magazine whilst still in the leadership of various nazi groups.

He was able to subvert and disrupt many of their activities before finally coming out into the open with a TV programme and a book, 'The Other Face of Terror'.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

NAFA meetings... the remaining NAFA meetings for the year are October 25th the public meeting as advertised - and our normal business meetings which are on Monday 8th and Monday 22nd of November and Monday 13th December. The business meetings are all at the International Community Centre, Mansfield Road at 7.30. The Ray Hill public meeting should be well worth attending - he was one of the founder members of the BNP.

Leaflettings... the series of regional leaflettings

carries on. On 6th and 24th of November, in Nottingham and out of Nottingham respectively. These are times when groups through- out the region combine to do mass leaflet drops. If you can help ring Ross on 582506 (day).

Other events - Michael Rosen will be launching a book of Jewish poetry published by Mushroom Bookshop/Jewish Socialist on 9th November at the Progressive Synagogue, Lloyd St. On 3rd December there is a fundraiser for the African National Council with the Bhundu Boys. NAFA leaflets at both!

MANSFIELD: NOT A LOT HAPPENED

Responding to an article in the Mansfield Observer, which said that fascists were to leaflet in Mansfield on Friday 1st October, some 35 people were hurriedly mobilised from around the region to oppose this. Early in the morning a known fascist was seen with a bag of leaflets so we knew something was afoot. At lunchtime 6-8 known fascists gathered in the Market Square and just as quickly dispersed, presumably thinking discretion was the better part of valour.

IAN DONALDSON

Ian (Stuart) Donaldson has gone to Valhalla following

LETTERS

Attached is a letter from the YRE responding to an editorial in the last newsletter. The editorial, which criticised national anti-fascist groups without mentioning any names, was not aimed at the YRE but at the two groups the Anti-Nazi League and the Anti-Racist Alliance who are largely responsible for there being two demonstrations in London on the 16th October. No criticism was aimed at the YRE who have played a very constructive role within NAFA and the national antifascist movement.

This seems a good time to remind ourselves that all letters/articles are welcome for publication.

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a car accident. Two were killed and three others seriously injured when the car he was travelling in left the road. No other vehicles were involved. This is a major blow to the far-right as Donaldson was the driving force behind Skrewdriver and Blood and Honour. Whilst 300 skinheads attended his wake at a venue on the Notts/Derby border it is unlikely there is anyone as "charismatic" as Donaldson will be able to take his place. At the time of his death Donaldson was waiting on a court appearance in Blackpool for violence and had skipped bail on a stabbing offence in Germany.

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AT WAR WITH SOCIETY

THE EXCLUSIVE STORY OF A SEARCHLIGHT MOLE INSIDE BRITAIN'S FAR RIGHT

Tim Hepple was a young football hooligan who was attracted to the National Front's radicalism but turned towards the British National Party because it was more active and violent.

Then disillusionment set in and he volunteered to work for Searchlight as a mole inside the most violent and dangerous sections of the nazi movement.

In April 1993 he came out with a bang and appeared on the World in Action television documentary exposing the secretive nazi terrorist organisation Combat 18.

This is the fascinating story of his odyssey through Britain's far right, of his seedy life inside the British National Party headquarters, of street battles and organised attacks on blacks and anti-fascists, of how the BNP orchestrated a race riot in Dewsbury.

Searchlight has been investigating the far right for more than 30 years and has gained an expertise and reputation for its work that is second to none.

Searchlight has had dealings with a number of Nazis who have seen the error of their ways and offered their services to Searchlight to make amends. The best known of these defectors was Ray Hill. He spent many years inside extreme and dangerous groups doing daring and important work, which created havoc and long-term damage to the far right, not only in Britain but also in France and elsewhere.

Ray's example often attracts others to follow him along the same path out of the darkness of fascism and into the light. Tim Hepple, whose story is told in this booklet, was one of them.

With racial violence following the British National Party wherever it goes, with far-right parties gaining votes on Britain's doorstep in Germany and France, and white supremacists gathering increasing support in the United States, At War With Society is essential reading for anyone who wants to understand how young people can be sucked into the culture of violence and race hate on which the far-right breeds.

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Dear Editor,

I have just seen the latest NAFA mailing.Congratulations on the first bulletin.

However, I should like to raise a query with the editorial in the news letter. To quote the editorial it says, "What was clear is that the major national organisations are undemocratic and plough on regardless of the movement as a whole and the views of their own members who have no decision making role."

You say that Youth Against Racism in Europe is undemocratic. This is not true. We have regular and frequent national decision making meetings to which all affiliated groups and YRE branches can send delegates. Groups of different political persuasions are active within the YRE. I attended a national meeting recently and decisions were taken in relation to the October 16th demonstration and the aims and programme of the YRE.

On the same weekend there was an international decision making meeting with representatives from most of the national sections of the YRE in Europe.

In relation to the issue of there being two national demonstrations .It has always been the policy of the YRE to have a demonstration marching past the BNP headquarters.In national discussions involving the YRE,ANL,ARA,the Lawrence family and others we raised that the demonstration should be on October 16th..We were outvoted. The other groups (including theANL) voted for a national demo on this date in central London.In the interests of unity we abided by that decision on the basis that we would have a demo at the BNP HQ on another date. After that meeting however the ANL did an "about turn" and went for a demo at the BNP HQ. We were faced with a difficult decision. With the national focus on the BNP we decided that we must go to Welling. We never sought to divide the anti-fascist movement and hope that even at this late stage that the ARA come to Welling on October 16th.

In the editorial the writer talks of organising an independent anti-fascist conference. But surely the key question is to get the existing national organisations to work together. Such a conference may only add another national organisation to the list.

I hope that these points can be raised in NAFA and that the YRE can have the right of reply to the current editorial in the next mailing.

Comradely,

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