

# Annual Report

**INSTITUTE OF  
RACE  
RELATIONS**

**2012**

# About the IRR

**T**he Institute of Race Relations (IRR) was the first educational charity on race relations to be established in the UK in 1958. Since then, it has striven to change its focus with changing needs and pioneer new thinking to keep abreast of changes in racism itself. Today, the IRR is at the cutting edge of the research and analysis that informs the struggle for racial justice in Britain, and internationally. It seeks to reflect the experiences of those who suffer racial oppression and draws its perspectives from the most vulnerable in society.

The IRR carries out research into pressing issues of contemporary racism in the UK and Europe. To meet specific demands from community groups, the IRR has concentrated on research to combat the rise of racial violence and far-right extremism, the plight of asylum seekers and the implications for human and civil rights of government policies. In its research projects, the IRR networks with other groups working in the same and allied fields and frequently provides information by way of talks and discussions to community-based, academic, statutory organisations and non-statutory groups.

Most of IRR's information and publishing is now electronic and reports are in many cases available as free downloadable files from the website. But, in addition, IRR produces the international quarterly *Race & Class* also in print format, occasional pamphlets and has a back file of print materials available for use in education and training. Educational materials are downloadable from the website, and *Homebeats* (CD Rom) and *Struggles for Black Community* (DVD) are available. The IRR's library known as the Sivanandan Collection has moved to the University of Warwick; a Black History Collection of leaflets, pamphlets and journals 1950s-1980s has been retained at the IRR and can be consulted on written request. ■

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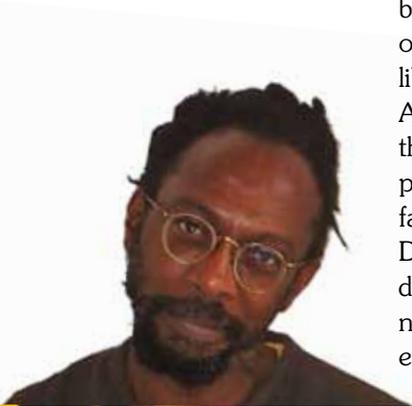
# Chair's comment

**T**his last year has delivered peculiarly mixed messages in regard to matters of race in the UK. Two events stand out – an historic judgement and punishment for a racist crime, and, London's spectacularly successful Olympics which delivered on a promise of multicultural inclusivity.

In January, we witnessed the conviction of two men for the murder of Black teenager Stephen Lawrence in 1993. This conviction was, in a sense, not of the moment, rather, the culmination of a long and stubborn battle waged by Stephen's tenacious parents, with stalwart campaign supporters. And lest we might think it an indicator of a new commitment on the part of state institutions to combating racial injustice, the remainder of the year showed just how casually matters of equality can become buried as economic crisis austerity measures began to bite, particularly affecting poorer sections of society. For, with these measures has come a philosophy of blaming – the young, the disabled, Gypsies and Travellers, those on welfare – coupled now with the demonisation of 'rioters', asylum seekers, foreign workers and Muslims 'suspected' of being potential terrorists. Commonsense racism has been merged more and more with an unashamed condemnation of those necessarily excluded from the benefits of decades of neo-liberalist government policies. Amongst this excluded third (in what A. Sivanandan, IRR's director has described as our two thirds/one third society) a majority of poor whites neglected by mainstream politicians can provide a ready recruiting ground for opportunist far-right nationalists. And so, alongside groups such as the English Defence League, which purport not to be racist, has grown up a dangerous and increasingly accepted nationalist discourse which now posits members of the white working class as the forgotten ethnic minority.

Meanwhile, and on the other hand, the major public event of summer 2012, the Olympics, mounted an Opening Ceremony that celebrated the nation without nationalism, in exemplary fashion. For so many years, the Left and liberals have toyed with notions of 'Britishness' and reclaiming nationalism from the rightwing, without any ideological content and making no impact. But the notion of Britishness served up by the curators of the Olympic ceremony, film-maker Danny Boyle with the assistance of others, somehow took the debate from culture to class, or if that is too grandiose a claim, from the ethereal to the material. The spectacle spoke of a Britain made Great not by abstract virtues, but by social forces – such as the industrial revolution. What Great Britain had to be proud of were its historic struggles such as those of the suffragettes for votes for women and the CND for nuclear disarmament, and the creation of a National Health Service. And with Doreen Lawrence, mother of Stephen, included in the opening flag-ceremony, a new pride was signalled in the anti-racist struggles from the late twentieth century into the early twenty-first, introduced through the demands and actions of migrant ex-colonials now resident and insistent on being full citizens. Viewed as an 'expo' for British culture, with its use of children's literature, film, comedy, and music – it was the universality of the human condition that emerged as central to the appeal of the Olympic spectacle. ■

**Colin Prescod**



# Executive director's report

**T**he IRR has had a very heavy publication schedule this year. In addition to the topical news stories and comment pieces we publish weekly on *IRR News*, we produced three hard-hitting reports on the challenges posed by the rise of racism in the de-industrialised towns and rural areas of the UK and Europe. Each report, in differing ways, describes the lived reality and long-term impact of raw racism – highlighting the experiences of newly-arrived migrants, as well as more established BME communities, including those who are victims of the growing Islamophobia.

For while we take a pride at IRR in being attuned to and being able therefore to warn others of new forms of racism, we are also aware that old forms remain even when the state, politicians and the media consider them dealt with, for example via the Macpherson recommendations. Which is why we continue to prioritise issues such as deaths in custody, racial violence and stop and search.

Any hopes that some clear understanding and radical policy changes might emerge, in response to the alienation and youth frustration demonstrated in the August 2011 riots, were dashed during 2012. Politicians and government inquiries failed to clarify the structural issues affecting the young, poor and marginalised. IRR Council Member Professor Lee Bridges, examined the underlying fallacies contained in reports and inquiries conducted in the aftermath of the disturbances in the July 2012 issue of *Race & Class*. And prior to that, in June, the IRR in partnership with the Power, Conflict and Justice Research Group at Edge Hill University and the Tottenham Defence Campaign hosted a two-day symposium on the policing of Black, Muslim, Asian, Irish, Traveller and Gypsy communities at the Bernie Grant Arts Centre

in Tottenham. Over forty campaigners, lawyers and scholars from different communities came together to develop an analysis of contemporary policing and criminal justice, the results of which will be published next year with the aim of informing NGOs and community groups.

This year we commissioned Outlandish Ideas to redesign the IRR's website. The site had originally emerged from our first online news service over a decade ago and needed to be reconfigured so as to amply identify and promote every aspect of IRR's work and make it more user friendly. This involved the importing of a vast amount of data, mostly related to *IRR News*' back file of stories. But we now have a much more easily navigable site and an extremely valuable searchable archive of key materials. We have taken the opportunity to ensure that the work of IRR is promoted through social media. In addition, we are in the process of upgrading the IRR's internal IT system. Both the web redesign and the IT upgrade will be a very costly outlay for IRR in the two financial years 2011/12 and 2012/13 but we realise that they are essential to the smooth running of IRR and promotion of its key services as an educational charity.

Thanks are due to Harmit Athwal who has overseen all the technological changes. In fact the burden of work, especially on our publications side, was great this year and in January 2012 we employed Ryan Erfani-Ghettani, on a temporary basis, to assist on *Race & Class* and *IRR News* and to facilitate access to the Black History Collection over the year. In addition, we have been supported by a number of excellent volunteers.

In terms of IRR finances our income was slightly higher this year than last and our expenditure lower (because of having



## Executive director's report *continued*

fewer staff for most of the year). However it is gratifying that our (self-generated) publications income was up by over £11,000 at £97,723. It has been of concern for some time that as multiculturalism has come under attack, the issue of racial inequality has been moving off the programmes of many UK-based funders. And it has become harder and harder to raise funding for IRR's core functions, particularly around providing information and analyses via the online service, *IRR News*. For that reason it is good to be able to report that the European work of IRR is next year to be fully funded by grants from the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust and additionally now from the Open Society Foundations' programme addressing the causes and manifestations of xenophobia and intolerance in western Europe. We also thank the following for supporting the symposium on policing in June 2012: Bindman's and Co., Hickman & Rose, Christian Khan Solicitors, Doughty Street Chambers, Sage Publications, Matrix Chambers and the Joseph Rowntree Social Service Trust. (The accounts published in this report relate to the financial year ending March 31 2012, whereas the narrative account of IRR's work covers the period October 2012-October 2013.) ■

*Participants at Symposium  
on Policing Communities,  
June 2012*

**Liz Fekete**



# European Research Programme

A project investigating the rise of institutional, political and popular racism in Europe



**P***edlars of hate: the violent impact of the European far Right*, published on 12 June 2012, was extensively promoted (on facebook and twitter) this year, and the issues raised in the report were taken up by Open Society Foundations, Open Democracy, the European Network Against Racism (ENAR) and UNHCR Greece. It gives us no pleasure to highlight the timeliness of such a report, which was the culmination of eighteen month's research into shifting patterns on the far Right, including the rise of ultra-patriotic defence leagues and counter-jihadist movements and the resurgence of fascism. The trial of Anders Behring Breivik, for the massacre of seventy-seven people at Oslo and Utoyo islands, the German parliamentary investigation into the police and intelligence services' failure to prevent at least eight murders carried out by the National Socialist Underground (NSU), the election of eighteen neo-Nazis from Golden Dawn to the Greek parliament and the growth of anti-Roma paramilitary forces in Hungary were all described in the report. From its coverage of over one hundred case studies emerged a very serious critique of state responses to the far Right, particularly the dangers posed by the development of inappropriate infiltration schemes, including the running of agents.

This year, the European Research Programme (ERP) has ensured that its findings reach more people and its observations were more closely integrated within the online service *IRR News*. ERP contributed over twenty news and comment stories to *IRR News* on subjects as diverse as deaths in police custody and immigration removal centres in Germany, Poland and Spain, counter-extremism programmes in Germany, anti-discrimination laws in Norway and counter-jihadi mobilisation in Denmark. These contributions came from six members of the ERP volunteers

network as well as academics Sindre Bangstad, Peter Hervik and Eddie Bruce-Jones.

Supporting networks combating racism and assisting academics educating students about the nature of contemporary racism are priorities for ERP. In addition, it contributed articles to other publications and a chapter for a book on anti-racism and social policy and acted as consultant to the European Network Against Racism's September 2012 Symposium on Varieties of European Racism. It also presented expert witness testimony (on the subject of detention and deportation) at Tribunal 12, organised by Shahrazad and the Swedish Forum for Human Rights (modelled on the Russell Tribunals) at the Kulturhuset in Stockholm in front of an audience of 1,500 people (a further 6,000 watched the digital streaming, and screenings and events also took place simultaneously in twenty European cities). An international jury, which included Henning Mankell, Nawal El Saadawi and Saskia Sassen followed the process, with deliberations moderated by the former editor-in-chief of *Dagens Nyheter*, Arne Ruth.

The ERP has also been able to help European audiences absorb some of the lessons in IRR's 2009 path-breaking report on government counter-extremism policies, authored by Arun Kundnani. For we are now beginning to see the impact of government counter-extremism programmes in the skewing of anti-racist concerns, for example, in Germany where the government is trying to impose its counter-extremism agenda on anti-racist victim support groups.

We are pleased to report on the publication this year of three outstanding books on migration and refugee rights, which ERP was able to support: Matthew Carr's *Fortress Europe: Dispatches*

*Liz Fekete moderating  
symposium of the European  
Network Against Racism,  
September 2012*



from *a Gated Continent* (Hurst Publications), Frances Webber's *Borderline Justice: the fight for refugee and migrant rights* (Pluto Press) and Leanne Webber and Sharon Pickering's *Globalisation and Borders: death at the global frontier* (Palgrave Macmillan). ERP has compared notes on research for some years with Leanne, based at Monash University, Australia, and IRR's ERP was delighted to become an NGO Partner of the Border Crossing Observatory at Monash. We also continue to work closely with the International State Crime Initiative at King's College, University of London.

For many years, ERP has been supported by the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust. But this year we are also indebted to the Open Society Foundations for much-needed help. As ever, ERP relies on a network of volunteers. But we need to give special thanks to one outstanding volunteer, MA student, Lotta Schwedler, who was with us from June until September 2012, during which time she monitored German newspapers, translated from German into English and contributed several articles to *IRR News*. ■

# Race & Class

**Race & Class, the journal on racism, empire and globalisation is published four times a year**

**T**he journal has gone from strength to strength in terms of circulation this year. In addition to over 500 institutions which subscribe directly, another two thousand subscribe via consortia (ie bundles of journals supplied by our publisher Sage) and additionally, the journal is available to over 4,000 institutions in 'the developing world' at low or no cost. In the past year there have been over 87,500 downloads of *Race & Class* articles. Over six thousand people are now subscribing to *Race & Class* email alerts. With Sage we are working to develop the use of social media tools, and find new ways of promoting the journal. While we very much appreciate the academic areas that Sage, with its know-how and global spread, allows the journal to penetrate, we are also aware that the journal is also aimed at activists and campaigners who may well not have academic institutions and online access. We therefore still try to place the journal in independent bookshops and also make the journal available at as many meetings and conferences as possible, while keeping the cover price for individuals as low as we can.

In terms of production, we have, as ever, produced four issues of the journal – three of which were general issues and one of which was themed – on 'radicalisation'. That October 2012 number looked at various facets of radicalism and radicalisation. Arun Kundnani in 'Radicalisation: the journey of a concept' showed how the term had been debased with a whole scholarship with its own anti-Muslim assumptions and biases being built around the concept; Shamim Miah how fear of radicalisation in young Muslims was contaminating policy and leading to forced integration of schools. Other pieces looked at radicalisation in its erstwhile meaning: Frances Webber revealed in 'Borderline justice' how a profession as staid as the law can be radicalised, Martyn Hudson in an examination of Michael Tippett's oratorio *A child of our time*

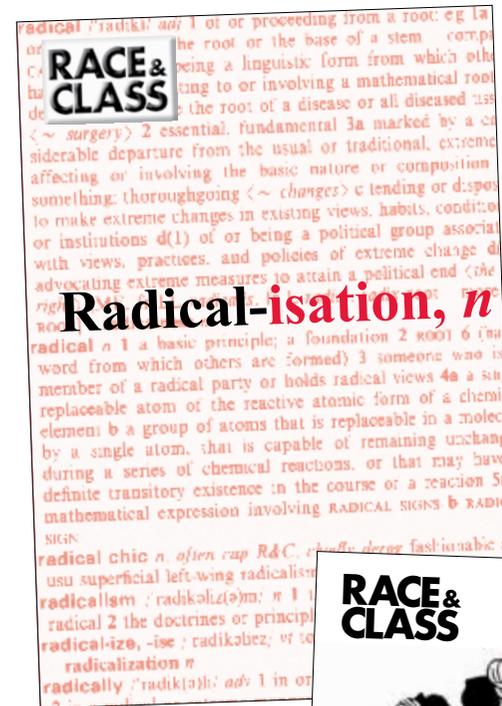


how a composer can radicalise by including forms such as African American spirituals, Tim Brennan examined the work of radical academic Neil Lazarus in the field of postcolonial studies. Ashley Lavelle, on the other hand, explored how radical Black panther Eldridge Cleaver turned into a renegade would-be Republican senator.

A number of key themes have been covered in the journal over the year: policing was looked at in relation to the Bristol 'Tesco riot' in the UK, (Matthew Clement in 53/3), 'After Lawrence: racial violence and policing in the UK (Jon Burnett in 54/1) 'Deprovincialising police violence; on recent vents at UC Davis' (Dylan Rodriguez in 54/1) 'Germany's Stephen Lawrence' (Eddie Bruce-Jones in 54/2) and 'Total policing: reflections from the frontline' ( Liz Fekete in 54/3) and 'Police accountability: the Irish peace process and the continuing challenge of secrecy' (Daniel Holder in 54/3).

Issues relating to Israel and Palestine continued to be examined: 'A Palestine that might have been' (Victoria Brittain in 53/3), 'Israel promised land for Jews ... as long as they're not black?' (Hanan Chehata, 53/4), 'A discussion of Gilbert Achcar's *The Arabs and the Holocaust*' (Ralph Coury, 53/4), 'Neoliberalism and NGOs in Palestine' (Sibille Merz, 54/1). Key commentators addressed aspects of global capitalism: William Robinson and Mario Barrera on the US and growing fascism (53/3), Nicole Trujillo-Pagan on post-Katrina impact(53/4), Jerry Harris on China and transnationals (54/1), A. Sivanandan on the market state (54/3). Black history was another key theme: Saladin Ambar wrote on Malcolm X at the Oxford Union (53/4), Andrew Rosa on St. Clair Drake (54/1), Ashley Lavelle on Eldridge Cleaver (54/2) and Kevin Searle on the 1949 Causeway Green 'riot' (54/3). Immigration policy was scrutinised by Carol Dixon in relation to museum portrayal (53/4), Frances Webber on 'Borderline justice' (54/2) and Michael Grewcock on 'Australia's emerging border wars' (54/3). ■

**"I keep Race & Class on the dinner table ... Thanks so much for always sending your great journal."**



# IRR News

**A free online news service on race and refugee issue in the UK and Europe**

**F**or *IRR News* the most significant development in the past year was the redevelopment and redesign of the IRR's website, which also enabled us to highlight the ongoing (and past) work of *IRR News*. The new look makes access much easier for users and allows us to illustrate stories in a more attractive way. We are extremely pleased that the laborious task of transferring all the data from our old site has created a unique searchable archive going back over ten years. As a result of the redesign, we now have more interaction with our users, with comments being posted on articles and emailed directly to the IRR having increased four-fold since April 2012. The weekly email, which itself has undergone a major redesign, is sent directly to over 9,000 people and also widely re-circulated by other groups and online services. As a result, its content reaches well over 20,000 people and organisations. We are also pleased that so many other groups regularly republish our stories and features on their websites. In that sense, IRR provides vital infrastructural support to a whole range of voluntary sector organisations.

*IRR News*' presence on Twitter is also helping to increase the circulation of material on the IRR website. And the organisation also has a small presence on YouTube, with the publication of its first video news report from the inquest into the death of Sean Rigg.

A second development this year, was the incorporation into *IRR News* of European stories with an implication for all our subscribers. Liz Fekete, with help from a number of her extensive network of volunteers, has written twenty-three news stories looking at developments in racism, extremism and criminal justice issues in a number of countries. We believe that this broadening of the service has strengthened its range and deepened its scope.

*IRR News* is more than just a comprehensive online news service, and has a number of small research projects emanating from its work and the archive it has built up – on racial violence, deaths in custody, asylum and self-harm etc. This enables the IRR staff to have particular expertise. Thus, in January, after nineteen years of campaigning, when the family of Stephen Lawrence saw two men jailed for the racist murder, numerous news and media outlets picked up the IRR's research on deaths with a possible racial motivation, since Stephen's in 1993. *The Independent* carried a front-page story based on cases on the IRR's list, focusing on unsolved murders. As a result of the coverage, the police have re-opened their investigation into the 1998 murder of Surjit Singh Chhokar in Scotland.

**“This is still the best analysis of post-war race relations in Britain in my opinion: brilliantly argued and elegantly written. A must-read indeed.”**



IRR News is highly valued by our subscribers, in part because of our regular contributors who are key authorities in their field. Frances Webber (IRR vice-chair) writes on asylum, immigration and human rights, John Grayson on asylum, race and party politics, Saleh Mamon on anti-terror legislation. Liz Fekete (staff) writes on racism across Europe, Jon Burnett (staff) on racial violence and state strategies, Harmit Athwal (staff) on deaths in custody and community campaigns.

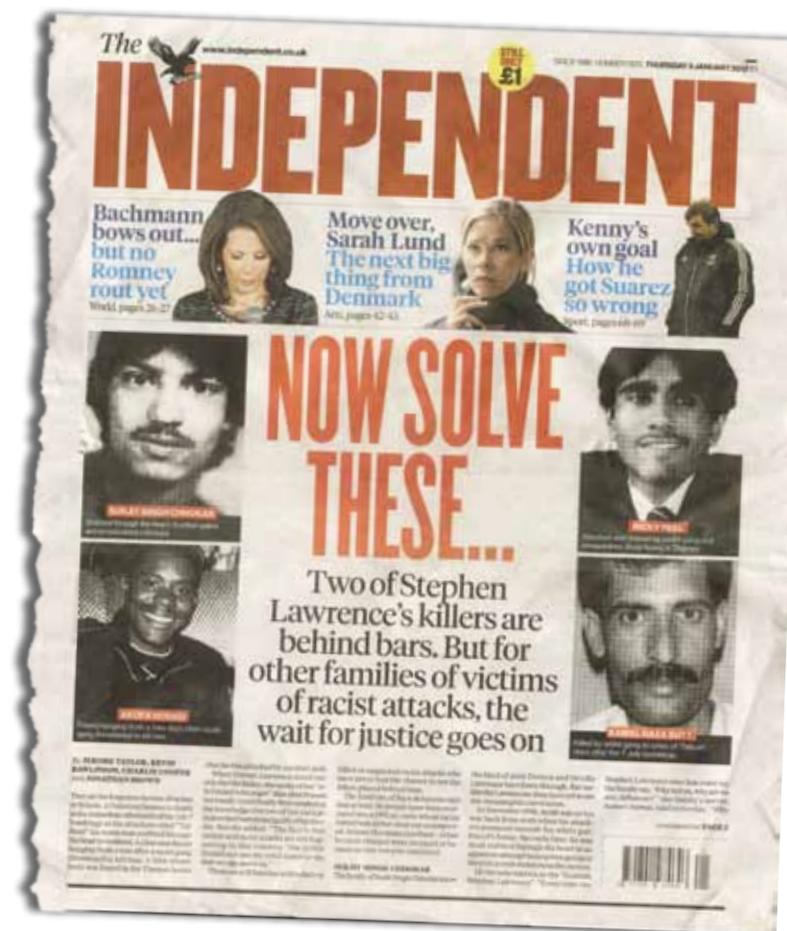
In addition to IRR News' online output and research projects, its personnel are engaged in outreach and public education campaigns (see list of outside events on p13). But IRR News' staff have also been involved in organising and promoting a number of events this year: in May 2012, an anti-globalisation public meeting with John Carlos at Friends House in May 2012 and a small seminar with John Carlos at the IRR; in early October a showing of and discussion of the film 'Who polices the police?' on 5 October; and in late October the launch of the book *Borderline Justice* by Frances Webber.

From January, Ryan Erfani-Ghattani has provided much-needed support to IRR News. As ever, the service is indebted to its valiant volunteers, including: Maryam Ali, Bedour Allagraa, Sybille Bierman, Melissa Brooks, Anne Dryden, Trevor Hemmings, Dasom Lee, Gaja Maestri, Saleh Mamon and Nicky Road. ■

“Excellent summary of the state of play in terms of media appetites.

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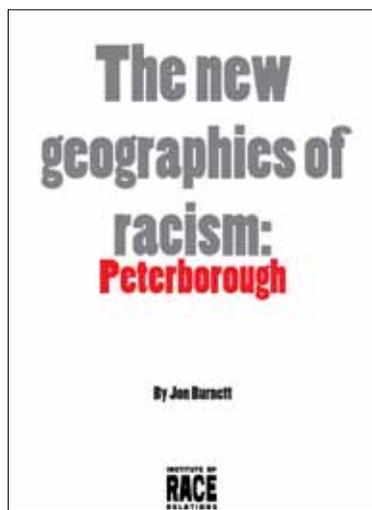
“Love the new look newsletter. Well done



The Independent, 5 January 2012, based on IRR News' research

# Racial violence research

**Drawing on a unique database, the project analyses and reports on racial violence in the UK**



In January, the sentencing of two of the men responsible for the murder of Stephen Lawrence nineteen years ago provoked a storm of interest in racial violence in the UK. The front page of the *Independent* featured research by the IRR, detailing fifteen fatal racist attacks which remain unsolved; and throughout the year the IRR, with the aid of its multi-faceted database on racial violence, has continued to highlight the prevalence of ongoing attacks, identifying trends and the response of the criminal justice system.

This database, updated regularly by a small team of volunteers, records attacks and incidents throughout the UK and provides the IRR with unique insight into the changing dynamics of violent racism. Using information from this, three articles were written for *IRR News* on police indifference to racial violence, the impact of attacks in the first six months of 2012, against families and children, the continued violence of the far Right, and the investigation of a racist attack by a serving soldier against a teenager in Bexhill, south-east England. Further features were written for *Our Kingdom*, the UK section of the e-zine, *Open Democracy* on the way far-right groups are targeting specific localities in the UK, and on the violence directed against migrant workers. An analysis of racial violence since the death of Stephen Lawrence was written for the Discrimination Law Association's journal, *Briefings*. And in the summer, a critical assessment of the implementation of the criminal justice reforms put in place as a result of the Macpherson Report was published in *Race & Class*. All of these articles have been distributed widely and reproduced by organisations working on issues relating to racial violence, migration policies and the criminal justice system and have formed the basis for talks and lectures in community and academic venues.

Throughout the year, work has continued on investigating the UK's 'new geographies' of racism. A detailed examination of racial violence in the city of Stoke-on-Trent was published, focusing on the impact of decades of de-industrialisation and how the city was targeted by the BNP. Another, into the city of Peterborough, looked at violence directed at asylum seekers dispersed to the locality and migrant workers who have found employment in a radically restructured economy. Again, these reports were widely reproduced. They made up the second and third of three investigations into distinct areas which have seen intensifications of racial violence over the last decade, so as to identify the changing nature of racism in the twenty-first century with a view to informing strategies to combat it. In all of this work, media interviews have been conducted with a variety of organisations including the BBC, and information provided by the IRR has informed a range of national newspaper stories on racial violence.

Throughout the year, the project worker, Jon Burnett, has been able to educate, inform and exchange information about the realities of racial violence through presentations to various hate crime networks and forums, academic events, public meetings and non-governmental organisations and community groups. This has enabled the IRR to disseminate information to a range of audiences including journalists, researchers, campaigners, students and representatives from the criminal justice system. It is envisaged that over the next year this project will examine how 'hate crime' strategies have affected anti-racist perspectives relating to racial violence and make a closer examination of the successes and failures of state strategies in prosecuting and punishing racial harassment and violence. This would take in the impact on community groups and local initiatives tackling racism on the ground. ■

**Provocative and well-written.**

# Out & About

## Diary of events, meetings and seminars at which IRR staff and Council members have made contributions

### 2011

**17 November** Speaker at Annual Conference, Kensington and Chelsea Social Council.

**22 November** Lecture on 'Islamophobia and the politics of hatred in Europe' at Edge Hill University, Liverpool.

**28 November** Participant at Tower Hamlets New Migrants and Refugee Forum meeting.

**5 December** Participant at Final Workshop of EPIM II, Brussels.

**6 December** Participant at EPIM/European Policy Centre public meeting, Brussels.

**8 December** Guest speaker on racism and the extreme Right at research seminar on Nordic Populism, University of Aalborg, Denmark.

**9 December** Chair of British Museum Conference, 'Cultural Equalities and Museums'.

### 2012

**3 February** Chair of discussion of Twelve Cities Project, City Circle, London.

**4 February** Facilitator at British Film Institute, 'Mumia Abu Jamal and the Move: Racism and Prisons in the USA and the UK'.

**14 February** Participant in No Borders Convergence on deaths in detention at Goldsmiths College, London.

**18 February** Speaker/facilitator at Huntley Archive/London Metropolitan Archive Annual Conference, 'Art and Activism: Culture and Resistance'.

**7 March** Talk at Haslar visitors support group AGM, Portsmouth.

**13 March** Speaker at Museum of London, 'Riots, Responses, Museums – a Young People's Forum'.

**23-24 March** Presentation at conference on 'Torture and inhuman and degrading treatment in the migratory process', organised by the Coordination for prevention and denunciation of torture, with the Commission for the Defence of Rights, and the College of Lawyers, Barcelona.

**14 April** African Odysseys season BFI.

**18 April** Talk at University of Brighton on 'The New Fascism: nothing but the same old story?'

**28 April** Talk at Black Workers Conference at the TUC.

**4 May** Talk at seminar launch of *Integration from Below*, edited by Ronit Lentin and Elena Moreo, Trinity College, Dublin.

**12 May** Expert witness on detention and deportation at Tribunal 12, Kulturhuset, Stockholm.

**17 May** Participant in workshop on G4S in Leeds.

**21 May** John Carlos and Dave Zirin at IRR lunchtime seminar.

**7 June** Speaker at rally in support of Ali Aarrass, Brussels; conference on life of Ruth First, Senate House, London.



IRR Chair Colin Prescod and John Carlos at an IRR lunchtime seminar, May 2012

## Out & About *continued*

**19-20 June** 'Policing Communities: race, class and the state' symposium, Tottenham organised by IRR et al; screening of COINTELPRO film at BFI.

**30 June** Speeches at Peace and Progress human rights memorial event for Corin Redgrave, Friends House, London.

**10 -11 September** Participant at seminar on counter-terrorism policies and minority communities in Europe, Open Society Foundations and Institute of Strategic Dialogue, London.



*IRR symposium on 'Policing Communities: race, class and the state'*

**12 September** *Guardian* Minority Writers pitching seminar.

**15 September** Panellist at Love Music Hate Racism 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary festival, east London.

**18 September** Contributor to symposium on hate crime at University of Leicester.

**24 September** Human rights observer at the trial of Ali Aarrass, Rabat, Morocco.

**Speaker at** AGM of CARIS, Haringey, London.

**27-28 September** Chair of roundtable discussion on manifestations of new forms of racism in Europe, a symposium organised by the European Network Against Racism, Brussels.

**3 October** Lewes refugee support group AGM, Lewes.

**5 October** Showing of film *Who Polices the Police?* and discussion, Garden Court Chambers, London.



*Jon Burnett speaks at Stoke City Hall on The new geographies of racism*

**12 October** Speaker at Kop-Watch and Reach Out 'Racial Profiling Reloaded' conference, Berlin; Speaker at Liverpool Radical Film Festival.

**17 October** Lecture on Islamophobia, University of Liverpool's Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Staff Network, Liverpool.

**18 October** Speaker on current trends in racism and xenophobia at AGM of the

European Council of Refugees and Exiles, Dublin.

**22 October** Launch of book, *Borderline Justice*, Garden Court Chambers, London.

**30 October** Speaker at Stoke City Hall in discussion of IRR's report on racial violence in Stoke.

**31 October** Speech on Islamophobia at meeting of groups funded by Joseph

Rowntree Charitable Trust's West Yorkshire project.

**2 November** Lecture on asylum and state crime, King's College, London.

**7 November** Panellist at discussion of Matt Carr's book on Fortress Europe, Bookmarks, London.

**9 November** Lecture on state collusion with the growth of the far Right, King's College, London.

# Finance

## Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2012

	Restricted Funds (£)	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Total Funds 2012 (£)	Total Funds 2011 (£)
<b>Incoming resources</b>				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income	70,750	33,951	104,701	115,953
Activities for generating funds	–	97,723	97,723	86,462
Investment income	–	103	103	84
Other incoming resources	–	245	245	230
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>70,750</b>	<b>132,022</b>	<b>202,772</b>	<b>202,729</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>				
Charitable activities	88,665	89,682	178,347	184,881
Governance costs	750	750	1,500	1,500
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>89,415</b>	<b>90,432</b>	<b>179,847</b>	<b>186,381</b>
Net incoming/outgoing resources before transfers	(18,665)	41,590	22,925	16,348
<b>Transfers</b>				
Transfers between funds	16,149	(16,149)	–	–
Net movement in funds	(2,516)	25,441	22,925	16,348
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward	144,125	83,563	227,688	211,340
<b>Total funds carried forward for the year ended 31 March 2012</b>	<b>141,609</b>	<b>109,004</b>	<b>250,613</b>	<b>227,688</b>

### Balance sheet as at 31 March 2011

	2012 (£)	2011 (£)
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible assets	139,929	142,445
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>139,929</b>	<b>142,445</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors	54,880	42,173
Stocks of Stationery and Publications	2,000	2,469
Cash at bank and in hand	68,417	50,680
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>125,297</b>	<b>95,322</b>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(14,613)	(10,079)
Net current assets/(liabilities)	110,684	85,243
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>250,613</b>	<b>227,688</b>
<b>The funds of the charity</b>		
Restricted funds	141,609	144,125
Unrestricted funds		
Designated	35,523	35,523
General fund	73,481	48,040
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>109,004</b>	<b>83,563</b>
<b>Total charity funds</b>	<b>250,613</b>	<b>227,688</b>

The purpose of these pages is to provide a summary of the charity's income, expenditure and year end position. This summary is derived from the full annual accounts, and is not a full representation. This report may not be sufficient to give a full understanding of the charity's finances. A full copy of the annual accounts and auditor's report can be obtained from the charity's offices. The statutory accounts have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies.

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