

# Stop the BNP's Fascist 'Red, White and Blue' Festival 2008

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## Invitation to Planning meeting, Nottingham, 17th May – details below

The *Red White and Blue festival* is a major annual event held by the BNP. For long they have been able to hold these 'festivals' without major opposition. They have usually kept the location secret for as long as possible but nevertheless have often brought numbers in their hundreds for a weekend of morale boosting, party-building and scarcely concealed but well-documented Nazi and fascist celebration.

The **Nottinghamshire Stop the BNP** campaign is organising to build a massive mobilisation against the BNP's 2008 'Red, White and Blue' Festival. In January, we called a regional conference in Nottingham\*, attended by more than 100 people.



The conference called for a mass campaign against the holding of this BNP 'festival'; demanded that councils block permission for the event and asked trade unionists as far as possible to refuse to do any work that might help facilitate it. It also called for thousands of people including anti-fascists, trade unionists and other concerned parties throughout the country to join us in filling the surrounding area in mass protest if the event goes ahead.

Unlike previous years we have advance knowledge:

**Where the RWB festival is to be:** Codnor/ Denby - bordering Nottingham and Derby and only a few miles from the M1.

**When it will be:** August 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>

There will be a planning meeting to pursue the objectives set by the Jan 19<sup>th</sup> conference on May 17<sup>th</sup>. **All individuals and local and national campaigns which share this objective are welcome**

**Venue: Queens Walk Community Centre, NG2 2DF – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May, 11:30 - 4pm**  
**The venue is 5 min walk from Nottingham station**

Internet link to map - <http://tinyurl.com/5oqzxn>, map to print overleaf

## **East Midland Anti-Fascists reorganise**

Over the last year anti-fascists in Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire have been working together to undermine the BNP. Primarily this has been facilitated by the Nottinghamshire Stop the BNP campaign but it has also been supported by Derby UAF as well as a multitude of trade union organisations. All of these campaigns are determined to stop the RWB festival being a successful recruitment event for the BNP.

Already 150 people were mobilised in October, 2007 and physically blockaded and stopped a local BNP rally being held and addressed by Nick Griffin. In addition leaflets and stalls have been held in towns and villages where the BNP have been known to be particularly active.

## **Join us in protest to stop the BNP 2008 festival**

**The time for action is now**

**Financial support – particularly welcome: details on website**

\* The conference was sponsored by many trade unions in the region including the Midlands TUC, FBU, UCU, UNISON and NUT delegates as well as other antiracism campaigns in the region

# Map of May 17<sup>th</sup> Venue

