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Arsenal Independent Supporters' Association (AISA)

AISA first made its name through effective campaigning in support of the Club's application for planning permission for the new stadium.

AISA members ensured a balanced debate as a small but effective opposition group attempted to railroad local councillors and residents against Arsenal's proposals. Then in December 2001 AISA mobilised over 350 Arsenal fans to attend the crucial meeting at which councillors overwhelmingly voted for planning permission.

This season AISA has established an Emirates Stadium working group, which seek views from fans about their experiences at the stadium. These are and will be presented to the Club and its contractors, as we jointly work towards the aim of the matchday experience at the Emirates being better for fans than at any other stadium in the world.

AISA now has a substantial membership base and regularly communicates with over 6,000 Arsenal supporters, spread throughout the UK and abroad. Our infrastructure is growing to meet the needs of those fans. We provide a range of services, including a weekly Email with news and information, a ticket-exchange service and a newsletter The Arsenal Supporter

We deeply value the Club's history and traditions whilst at the same time support the AFC Board in its objective to establish Arsenal as one of the leading clubs in Europe and the world and to modernise and move forward.

AISA also organises various social events; most recently a Gala Dinner to mark the end of 93 years football at Highbury and the move to the Emirates stadium; raising over £16,000 for The David Rocastle Trust and The Willow Foundation.

Membership of AISA is open to every Arsenal supporter; the strength of our organisation is that we represent and articulate the views of all Arsenal fans; aged 8–80, from every part of the UK and beyond; new supporters and those that have supported the Club throughout their life.

For more information visit www.aisa.org or contact us at aisa@fsmail.net

REDaction

REDaction is a group of match going fans who have united with the intention of bringing even more fun and noise to match days. It's an open forum which anyone can join to contribute to or suggest ideas for adding vibrancy to the average home match experience. We're talking about new ideas and suggestions for changing the way things are done.

The main core of REDaction comprises twelve fans from other organisations and several who were there at the start of it all. We were originally formed when the club wanted a group of fans to form and suggest ideas for Highbury events but we've gone on to do so much since.

We've worked to build a fantastic network in the Arsenal community and while we work closely with various facets of the club, we are very much independent and strike the balance to ensure fans are as happy with what we do as possible. We count Arsenal World, AWIMB, The Gooner, Ham & High, Islington Gazette, Arseblog, AISA and Arsenal Mania as much valued allies in our efforts and that list is growing all the time.

The banners - WHL '71, ANFIELD '89, OLD TRAFFORD '02, WHL '04 – previously displayed on the front of the North Bank - were created by REDaction, and also some other activities such as getting hundreds of Arsenal Fans to go the Fulham away game in May in Fancy Dress.

Our mission statement is "To bring Arsenal back to its faithful fans and buck the trend of growing indifference in English club football".

The creation of the REDsection at the Emirates Stadium is probably the single most important thing we've done as a group. One thing which needs to be addressed in the current change in football culture is the need for segregation.

For more information please visit www.redaction.com

KICK IT OUT football's anti-racism campaign

The brand name of the campaign - Let's Kick Racism Out of Football - was established in 1993. Kick It Out works throughout the football, educational and community sectors to challenge racism and work for positive change.

The campaign is supported and funded by the game's governing bodies, including founding body the Professional Footballers Association (PFA), the FA Premier League, the Football Foundation and The Football Association.

Internationally Kick It Out plays a leading role in the Football Against Racism in Europe www.farenet.org (FARE) network and has been cited as an example of good practice by the European governing body UEFA www.uefa.com, the world governing body FIFA www.fifa.com the Council of Europe, the European Commission, European parliamentarians and the British Council..

Our core priorities are:

- Working with the professional game by offering advice and guidance on all aspects of race equality within professional football.
- Using the appeal of the game to address young people within schools, colleges and youth organisations, through the development and delivery of resources and educational materials.
- Working at grassroots and amateur levels to tackle racial abuse and harassment in parks football.
- Raising the issue of the exclusion of south Asians as professional footballers from the game.
- Capacity building local ethnic minority communities to engage with professional clubs and the structures of the game.
- Developing partnerships to raise the debate and tackle racism in European football.

For more information please visit www.kickitout.org

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