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Magazine - Editor's Report

The summer issue went out in June, as planned, and was well received.

One or two of the road reps still don't respond to emails or chasing. I do understand that working people can't arrange to collect that easily, but anyone would only have to tell me and we would arrange to leave delivery quotas at addresses if required. Non-response denotes indifference, which isn't very nice.

The Autumn issue is at a very embryonic 'planning' stage.

The sort of things we'd like to cover are:

Local road and traffic plans (the knock-on effects of the HOME and CHASE debates); updates on the Blackhorse Lane bridge; crime and vandalism - youngsters using 'empty' houses as 'bases'; irresponsible developers etc. All of this probably within 'Addiscomment'.

Christmas Shopping - with Croydon increasingly a 'no-go' area for shoppers, what's available locally, or what's available a short tram-ride away?

Local expertise. Why seek out expensive 'expert help' when decent professionals can be found locally?

The Croydon Racecourse

The Jumble Trail

The 30th Anniversary party

We want to run a piece on the foundation of ASPRA and the magazine (the first issue of which appears to have been in September 1989). Thomas Hall's name was given to us as being someone very involved with all of this at the beginning and it would have been nice to interview him and ask for his recollections. We have written to him at an address in Greencourt Gardens but, as yet, have had no response.

We would ideally like to go to print in the last week of September and have distribution underway in early October.