

Nottinghamshire Indymedia



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New IMC collective in Nottinghamshire !

Nottinghamshire now has its own Indymedia Collective! Various people have been active in the setting up of an Independent Media Centre (IMC) in Nottingham and the wider county. Being part of the national and global Indymedia Network, various local projects have been initiated. The local IMC will consist of an interactive open publishing website, film showings and interactive workshops within our communities. Fundraising events, parties, a community radio station, and weekly print out are amongst many ideas.

So photographers, filmmakers, DJ's, writers/reporters, musicians, artists, sound engineers, visual artist and people with technical skills; get involved!

Please email us at Nottinghamshire Indymedia

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Independent DIY media projects are spreading around the planet at unprecedented speed. Triggered by discontent with the mainstream media and supported by the widespread availability of media technologies, groups all over the world are creating their own channels of information and distribution in order to bypass the (mainstream) corporate media.

The idea behind most of these projects is to create open platforms to which everyone can contribute - not only a small media elite with their particular interests. By eliminating the classic division between professional producers and passive audience, many issues and discussions that were previously suppressed become visible and available.

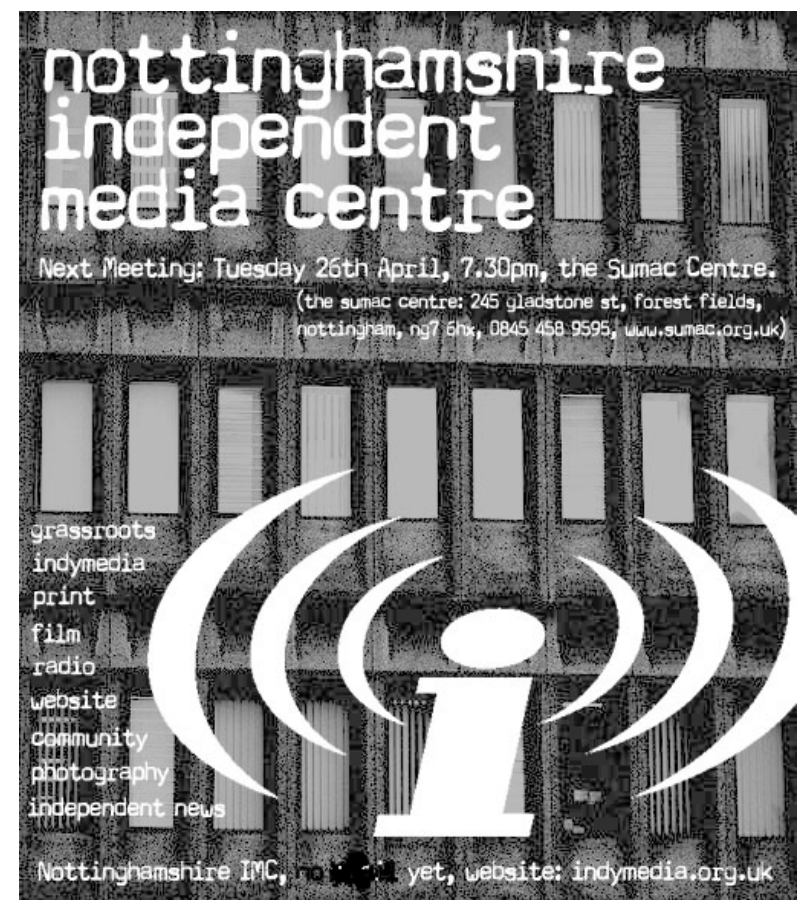
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What is Indymedia?

Indymedia is a collective of independent media organizations and hundreds of journalists and individuals offering grassroots, non-corporate coverage. Indymedia is a democratic media outlet for the creation of radical, accurate, and passionate tellings of truth. There are currently over one hundred and fifty Independent Media Centers around the world. Each IMC is an autonomous group that has its own mission statement, manages its own finances and makes its own decisions through its own processes. To learn more about each IMC, visit its web page. Beyond Nottinghamshire, you'll find links to other IMC web sites on the left column of the main page Indymedia page <http://www.indymedia.org>.

It is an organization composed of independent media activists from around the world who are working to coordinate international independent media projects. The indymedia.org group manages an international Indymedia page <http://www.indymedia.org> and coordinates technical and editorial policy issues that affect all IMCs that are associated with the Indymedia network.



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Indymedia UK is a network of individuals, independent and alternative media activists and organisations, offering grassroots, non-corporate, non-commercial coverage of important social and political issues.

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Indymedia UK 5th Birthday : G8 Summit Appeal and Call for Participation

Mayday marks the 5th anniversary of Indymedia UK. The first IMC to take off outside the US, it launched amidst the media hysteria around the Mayday 2000 protests. Indymedia UK developed into the United Kollektives with the launch of the current mir code based website in 2003, and continues to grow with Birmingham and Nottingham IMCs due to launch soon (see also [birthday party](#) in london, 15th May).

A big thanks to everyone involved in contributing towards Indymedia! Without reports from the streets, and the voluntary effort of people contributing online and offline to the project, Indymedia would be nothing.

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2005 G8 Summit Appeal

Indymedia, together with other grass roots and alternative media groups are preparing for the [G8 2005 Summit](#) in Scotland in July. Several physical IMC centres are being planned to facilitate DIY reporting of the events around the G8.

Participation, support and donations are needed!

Want to get involved? Have equipment you can lend or donate? Get in touch and find out more on the info page for the [G8 Independent Media Convergence](#) event being held in London 14-15th May (nb other events are also being held in Scotland). Money is also needed to help secure venues, vehicles for mobile media facilities and equipment - please consider donating money to Indymedia.

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Calendar - [Announce an Event](#)

EVENTS COVERAGE:

UK

[May 14-15 London G8 Independent & Alternative Media Convergence](#) | [Convergence Call](#) | [Video Invite](#) | [Special Feature](#)

[June 15-17 Sheffield G8 Justice and Home Affairs Meeting](#)

[July 2-8: Gleneagles, Scotland: G8 Summit Protests | Dissent! | G8 Alternatives | Make Poverty History | Links and Resources](#)

EUROPE AND AMERICAS

[Euromayday Across Europe](#)

[June 16-18 Luxembourg Days of Action Against the European Union Summit!](#)

ONGOING

[Iraq Occupation: Al-MujaJaha | Electronic Iraq](#)

Should I believe news I read on Indymedia?

Should you believe news you read on the BBC or CNN.com? All reporters have their own biases; governments and massive for-profit corporations that own media entities have their own biases as well, and often impose their views on their reporters (or their reporters self-censor to conform their own biases to those of their employer).

You should look at all reports you read on the Indymedia site with a critical eye, just as you should look at all media before you in a discerning and critical manner.

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Will you post my article/story/etc.?

We want to hear your stories and those of your community. The issues of concern, local, national and international.

Nottinghamshire Independent Media Centre, is part of IMC / Indymedia UK. It is an open-publishing platform for news, issues, actions and analysis reporting on grassroots, non-corporate, non-commercial social justice, environmental and political issues. It is maintained by a network of media activists and groups. IMC stands for Independent media centre, UK stands for United Kollektives.

IMC UK is dedicated to the open publishing ethos. IMC UK volunteers moderate the site [see our mission statement] and collaborate in the production of features. Contents on the newswire and calendar are generated by anyone who wants to contribute.

In the interests of the integrity and readability of the site, we operate within some 'editorial guidelines'. For example we are against discrimination: posts using language, imagery, or other forms of communication promoting racism, fascism, xenophobia, sexism and homophobia. In fact, any other form of discrimination, would be removed. Further, advertising posts for personal or product promotions are discouraged. Likewise, those posts that are inaccurate or misleading.



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What are Indymedia's long-term goals?

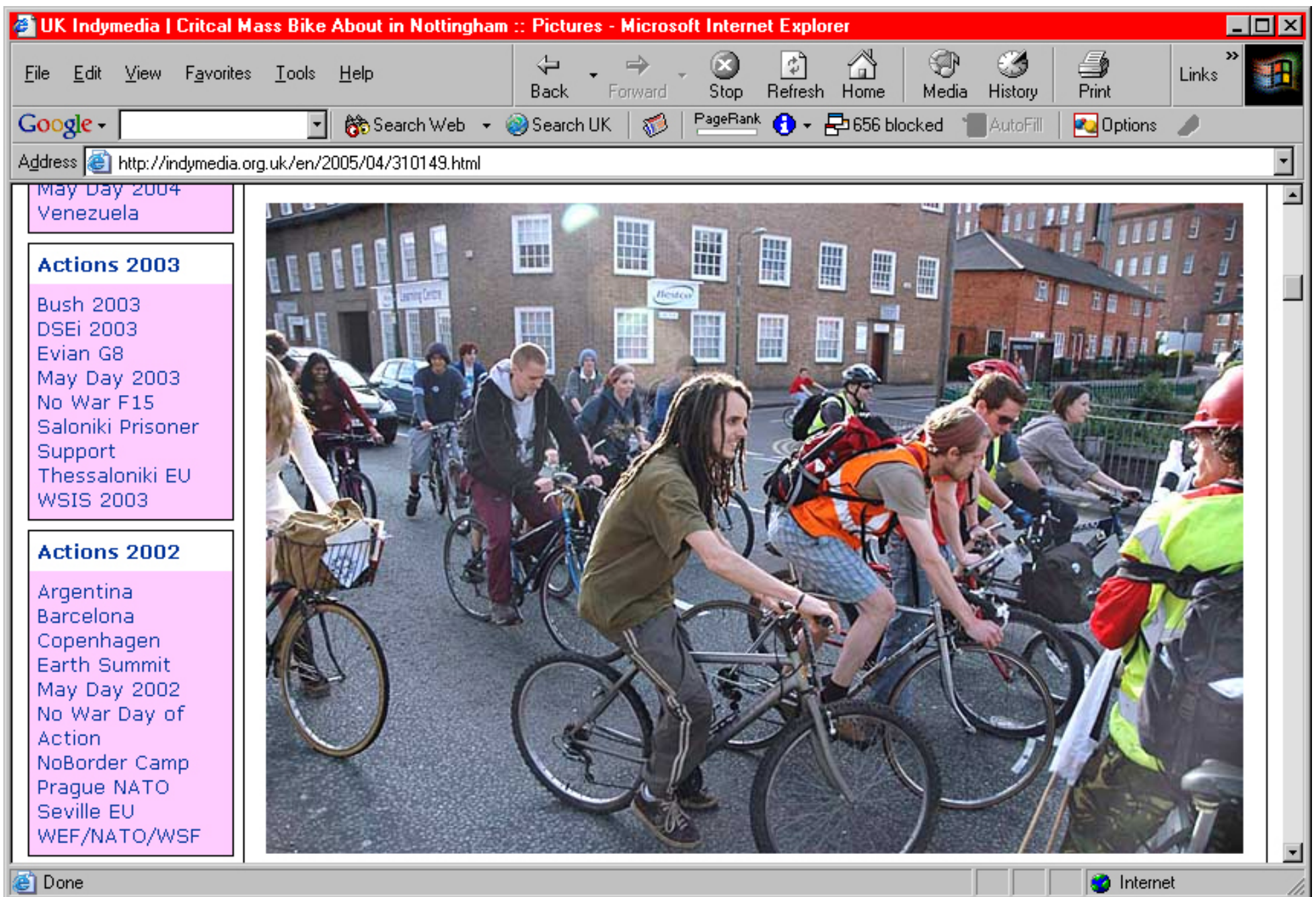
That's a big question, one that every Indymedia organizer would likely answer in a different way. Indymedia endeavors to empower people to become the media by present honest, accurate, powerful independent reports.

One vague long-term goal would be to foster and facilitate the development of as much independent media as possible around the world. Some come to their Indymedia organizing with a deeper goal, to enable people, while they're "becoming the media," to realize they can take control of other aspects of their lives that they previously left up to 'experts' or 'professionals.'

On a practical level, some who are involved with Indymedia are working toward the development of national and/or international television or radio networks, and others are working toward the establishment of an international independent regular newspaper and others projects that will assure the public has access to independent news reports.

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Are you "activists" or "journalists"?

Some would say "activists," some would say "journalists," some would say both. Each Indymedia reporter/organizer must make this distinction for him/herself. Having a point of view does not preclude Indymedia reporters from delivering truthful, accurate, honest news. Most, if not all, local IMCs, have explicit policies to strongly deter reporters from participating in direct actions while reporting for Indymedia. In general, on the occasions of political rallies, political activists who associate at all with Indymedia.org always choose non-violent civil disobedience to highlight the absurdities in certain policies of corporations or governments.



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"Independent" Media ??

No corporation owns Indymedia, no government manages the organization, no single donor finances the project. Indymedia is not the mouthpiece of any political party or organization. People involved with Indymedia have a wide variety of political and personal viewpoints. Anyone may participate in Indymedia organizing and anyone may post to the Indymedia newswires. Political parties or organizations may choose to publish articles on the Indymedia newswires, but in doing so they invite public debate about their positions from any reader of the site; any reader may respond by publishing his/her comments alongside the post in question. True, many Indymedia organizers and people who post to the sites have political opinions that fall along the left side of the political spectrum, yet each individual chooses his/her own level of involvement

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Nottinghamshire IMC Mission Statement

The Nottinghamshire Independent Media Centre (IMC) is a collective of independent community groups and individuals committed to offering grassroots and local non-corporate news coverage. It is a democratic media outlet for the creation of radical, accurate and passionate tellings of truth.

We aim to generate a fresh perspective on mainstream media-twisted stories and give a voice to individuals and communities throughout Nottinghamshire that are marginalised and have no say in the mainstream media. By connecting individuals and campaign groups together, we can disseminate information and raise awareness of local community concerns, campaigns and activities as well as issues of national and global relevance.

Nottinghamshire Indymedia is an open-publishing website which will allow everyone to contribute regardless of their locality, ethnicity or gender. It will strive to empower communities through skill sharing and training to become part of the Nottinghamshire IMC project, and work together towards maintaining a diverse and honest representation of what is really happening in our communities. Unlike the corporate media, Nottinghamshire IMC is run through an open democratic process.

Central to the Nottinghamshire IMC is the Nottinghamshire Indymedia website, which as a platform generates a variety of other activities including a community radio project, training sessions and workshops, video-productions, info nights, film-screenings and a regularly print out of the generated news.

As a collective we aim to pursue the following principles:

- To maintain an open democratic structure where everyone can contribute equally to decision-making.
- To reject all systems of domination and discrimination.
- To reject all ties with political parties and corporate bodies.
- To acknowledge that the struggle for a better world takes many forms.
- To focus on local issues and grassroots campaigns.
- To continually welcome and provide training and support to new volunteers, groups and contributors wanting to become involved with the Nottinghamshire IMC collective.

Nottinghamshire IMC works as part of the global Indymedia Network. The network works to foster media creation based upon the principles of free participation and association, mutual aid, open-source software, open publishing, and transparent decision-making. As an affiliate of the Indymedia network, the Nottinghamshire collective remains committed to these principles.

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