



**NEWSLETTER 100**  
September 1994

## The First Century

Yes, this is the 100th newsletter issued by the Society to its members. To celebrate we are reproducing of the front page of number one.

Note the change of heading. Our original "logo" was a drawing of Regency Square by the late Eddie Edwards who was the Society's first chairman. Our present logo first appeared in issue 44 in September 1986. It was designed by the late Arnold McCulloch who was a commercial artist by profession.

Other illustrations have come from various sources including several by Diana Dunn who is a current member of the committee.

Most of the text is written by Roger Hinton who has edited the newsletter since it started, but, except for the occasional signed piece, it is intended to represent the views of the Society rather than any individual. Contributions from member have always been welcomed.

Printing and distribution is looked after by Harold Lawson who delivers most issues by hand.

The newsletter has never appeared with strict regularity but we usually manage several copies a year - an average of just over six throughout the Society's fifteen and a half years of existence.

## The Box in the Bushes

We have been told that one of the distribution boxes for cable television in Regency Square will be located in the bushes at the north east corner. This is good news since it should be fairly well out of sight.

But where will the other boxes be? We are trying to find out.

## Stones are on the Way

It is quite some time since we were promised new stones around the edge of Russell Square.

We have now been promised that they will be installed during the Autumn using some old stones from the St Peters Church area, which are no longer needed there.

## Skip a Day Slips a Year

Earlier this year the Council announced that the skip a day system for rubbish collection would be abandoned this year and that a new "flying squad" would be introduced to deal with rubbish dumped in the street.

They have now said that the changes will be delayed by a year. The reason? So that the new rubbish collection contract can be tendered at the same time as a number of other new contracts.

## Rats in the Mews!

When will the Council take rubbish seriously?

Last month someone dumped fifteen bags of rubbish in Queensbury Mews. The weather was hot so they soon started to smell.

Local vermin were attracted and some of the bags were torn open. Eggshells and other delicacies spilt out across the pavement. Repeated call to the Council failed to get them removed.

A rat had obviously been sharing in the feast but had then been killed by a passing car. Its body lay in the mews. More calls to the Council but still they failed to do anything.

Eventually the bin men arrived on their usual weekly collection. They refused to take the rubbish, saying that someone ought to examine it to find out who had dumped it.

More calls to the Council. Eventually someone turned up and removed the rubbish and the rat.

To be fair, Council officers did open the bags and identify their source. A warning letter has been sent to the offenders.

But why did it take so long?

## Guy Fawkes is Coming

November is on the way and we are planning once again to hold a firework party in Regency Square.

So keep the evening free on Saturday 5 November and come and meet your neighbours at the Society's biggest event of the year.

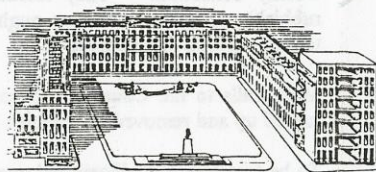
A lot of work goes into organising the firework party and each year it seems to fall on the same people. Could you help? We need people to help prepare or serve food, to look after the fire and to hand out Society leaflets to the many non-members who come.

If you can spare some time to help please call Roger Hinton (321794).

## SOCIETY CONTACTS

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## REGENCY SQUARE AREA SOCIETY

The Regency Square Area Society was formed at a public meeting held last month in the Portland House Hotel. About 70 people were there, mostly residents and business people from the area.

Councillor John Smith spoke about the importance of local societies: he said that as a councillor representing the area on the Borough Council he found them very useful in helping him to keep in touch with his constituents.

The other main speaker was John Small who is chairman of the nearby Montpelier and Clifton Hill Association. Mr. Small, who is an architect by profession, talked briefly about the history of the Square and said that his association welcomed the formation of this new society just across Western Road.

The meeting developed into a general discussion of ways in which the Society could do things to improve the area. A formal Constitution was presented to the meeting and adopted with one or two amendments - and the new Society was born.

### OFFICERS ELECTED

The Society's officers and an executive committee were elected at the meeting. The officers are:

- CHAIRMAN - Eddie Edwards  
38, Regency Square.
- SECRETARY - Carol Clipsham  
Adelaide Hotel,  
51, Regency Square.
- TREASURER - Roger Hinton  
38, Regency Square.

Anyone who wants to find out more about the Society is welcome to contact any of them. Copies of the amended Constitution are available from the Secretary.

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### WHAT IS THE SOCIETY FOR ?

The Society has been formed with a number of aims in view as is made clear in the Constitution. These are:

- to pursue matters of common interest
- to preserve and improve the character and environment of the Area
- to encourage good neighbourliness
- to contribute as a local community to the life of the town.

### OVER 40 MEMBERS !

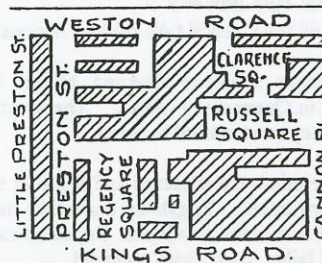
The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the group of people who had done all the work in getting it organised. Coffee was served while people queued up to get their names on the list of founder members.

At the end of the evening the Treasurer reported that the Society had already got 40 paid up members.

### THE AREA.

The original proposal had been for a Society just for Regency Square and Queensbury Mews. But a number of people at the meeting suggested that a wider area should be included.

This idea was discussed by the Committee at its first meeting and it was agreed to extend the area. So the amended Constitution now defines the Regency Square Area as "...the area of Brighton bounded on the South by Kings Road, on the East by Cannon Place, on the North by Western Road and on the West by Little Preston Street."



## SUBSCRIPTIONS

If you live in the Area and are 18 or over, you can join the Society as an ORDINARY MEMBER for £2. Those aged between 8 and 18 can join as JUNIOR MEMBERS for 50p and a family of two adults and any number of children can have a FAMILY MEMBERSHIP for £2.50.

Those who do not live in the Area but are in business in it can have a BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP for £5. Others can have an ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP for £1.

To Roger Hinton, Treasurer, Regency Square Area Society,  
38, Regency Square, Brighton BN1 2PJ

Please enrol me/us as a member of the Regency Square Area Society.

Category of membership (please tick):	Annual Subscription
Ordinary - for residents aged 18 and over	£2.00
Junior - for residents aged between 8 and 18	£0.50
Family - two adults and any number of children	£2.50
Business - for businesses with non-resident owners	£5.00
Associate - for non-residents who would like to keep in touch with the Area	£1.00

Name(s)

Address

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