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This week saw a major discussion on the future of IE8 and compatibility and the launch of Inside RIA.

- O'Reilly Launches RIA Site Inside RIA (RIApedia, January 21)
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The IE8 solution to handling backward compatibility is an interesting discussion. Here are some good links:

- Compatibility and IE8 (IEBlog, January 21)
- Microsoft's Version Targeting Proposal (The Web Standards Project, January 22)
- In defense of version targeting (Jeffrey Zeldman, January 22)
- Specs vs capabilities (John Dowdell, January 22)
- Meta Madness (John Resig, January 22)
- The Internet Explorer lock-in (Ann Van Kesteren, January 22)
- <META HTTP-EQUIV="X-BALL-CHAIN":gt; (Robert O'Callahan, January 22)
- Slipping The Ball And Chain (Robert O'Callahan, January 23)