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An apology! On this occasion I have decided that the two page format is just not big enough to cover the essential information I feel duty-bound to pass onto you, so this issue is 6 sides long! I have calculated that I see approaching 750 A4 pages of relevant text in the course of every month. In a bi-monthly newsletter, I just can't give more than a flavour of these to you. This is one good reason why it is useful to come to the first-Thurday pub-nites [see important item at end of newsletter re June 1<sup>st</sup>-Thursday]- I bring my laptop with me so you can read articles referred to below in full or see others that I have not been able to fit in.

On a practical note, we have decided that the money saved from not having the PO Box in Sturminster Newton can be better spent on newsletters and when the time comes on election expenses. So our contact details below have changed accordingly. I am also happy to report that we have a new committee member. Alan Haines is an active member from Wimborne who has been working hard behind scenes. Pleased to have you on board, Alan. The remaining committee thank you for re-electing them at the AGM last Saturday.

On the subject of the AGM, we would like to thank Malcolm Wood for a very interesting talk on the way UKIP has developed over the years and also for outlining the Trevor Coleman's scheme for increasing awareness of UKIP amongst the people of the South West. More of that anon. At the AGM we had the same number of people as last year which with slightly less membership numbers now, indicates a larger percentage of turnout. Well done! So next year, can we please have both a larger membership and more at the AGM?!!!

Also at the AGM, we started the lending library, and several books were taken out on the day. A small charge of £2 is levied per book, and there being about a dozen books on eurosceptic topics. The First-Thursdays will be a good exchange point for these. The books are all new [maybe read once by me!] would cost the reader anything up to about £17.00. So a good opportunity as I doubt many will be in your local library!

Incidentally, I think mentioned some time back that there is a Speaking Competition within UKIP. If you would like to take part, do please contact our HQ in Heathfield near Newton Abbott immediately. Heats are on the 5<sup>th</sup> May. First prize is £1,000 and all finalists get to visit Brussels. There are nine contestants at present, none from Dorset North. So please, someone, please fly the flag for this Branch!

It is interesting to note that in 1969 the French voted "Non" to regional bodies but only three years later, and despite the no vote, the French government set up regional bodies with some economic responsibility. In 1998 the Portuguese voted against self-governing regions, even though the Portuguese government strongly backed them. But the following year their government imposed regional development agencies on the Portuguese people. They are unelected partnerships of local lobby groups. In 1999 Poland adopted a three-tier system of government, replacing its 49 provinces or voivodships with sixteen regions without any vote at all. True democracy – Blair style.

Some say the constitution is dead, others tell the truth! Brussels called for a 'period of reflection' on the future of the constitution following the 'no' votes, but the Austrian EU presidency is pressing for the issue to be put rapidly back on the agenda. *"It would be a mistake to lie down meekly and allow the project of a constitutional treaty to perish, to more or less escort it to the cemetery,"* Austrian president Heinz Fischer told MEPs in Strasbourg last month. However, differences still remain over what form the revived constitution should take. French presidential hopeful Nicolas Sarkozy has said that some elements of the text could be implemented rapidly as others are renegotiated, but German Chancellor Angela Merkel has made it clear that Berlin will not accept any changes to the original text. Some member states want the EU constitution in its current form to be buried entirely. *"The treaty has no chance of being ratified in Poland, either by referendum or by the parliament ratification,"* Polish President Lech Kaczynski said on Monday. *"We support the idea of a new text."* Time will tell what is inflicted upon us – and when.

If Austria is unsuccessful, France and Germany have vowed to reintroduce the constitution in early 2007 when Germany takes the presidency. It will be introduced in three parts, called charters. The first sets out the EU's competences, the second being fundamental rights of the Union, both generally being considered uncontroversial. These would go for a vote as before in France and Holland, but with additional political declarations. The third would simply outline the EU policies and have them ratified by the Dutch and French governments. Et voila! Fait accompli! Sorted.

What does "child poverty" mean to you? As it turns out, it doesn't mean being inadequately clothed or inadequately fed or inadequately housed. A family is considered to be officially poor if they are living on less than 60% of Britain's median level of household income. This means the only way to eliminate "poverty" is to make people more equal, which would involve massive redistribution. But this is never spelled out. It would be a Catch 22 situation. Give those at the lower end extra benefits, that in turn raises the average[median], so those under the new 60% get more, raising the average..... Take it to its logical conclusion [if that was possible] and the millionaires living at the below the 60% would need to have benefits as they would be deemed to be living in poverty! Clearly true poverty hardly exists any more in this country. Where it does, help should be given. However, compare someone at the lower end of our social order to suffering children starving to death with their families in war-torn, drought-ridden Africa. Many of those in Africa will never ever aspire to the dizzy heights of British poverty. And the EU continues to fritter away our resources.

Mrs. Thatcher's British rebate, negotiated at the 1984 EU summit at Fontainebleau, and currently still at risk, is now worth about £3 billion a year. The EU could earn far more money by tackling a fraction of the fraud which is endemic within the CAP. In 2003 the European Court of Auditors estimated that 50 per cent of suckling cows that are claimed to be grazing in Portugal do not exist. Eighty-nine per cent of farms in Luxembourg have submitted claims for payments based on an inaccurate acreage, apparently swelling the country way beyond its tiny borders. One Greek farmer claimed to have lost 501 sheep to wolves between 2002 and 2004; a claim quickly revealed to be as much fantasy as Little Red Riding Hood: he only had 470 sheep to start with, and was still claiming money for 470 sheep, in spite of no evidence of restocking.

The tarnished Tessa Jowell has announced that the cost of the switch to digital will be met from the BBC licence fee - **"this is a broadcasting cost and it should be met by broadcasting income"**, she said. But it's clearly the wrong answer. The licence fee has become a virtual poll tax, so it is regressive taxation ... and what happens when the changeover is completed? The government will pocket the proceeds of auctioning off the spare wavelengths - and will the licence fee be cut when the changeover is finished? Don't hold your breath. The compulsory BBC licence fee should be for making programmes, not for implementing government policies. The BBC wants an annual licence fee of 2.3% over and above inflation. What about pensioners and others on fixed incomes or those who incomes only rise with inflation? Free holidays in prison?



**"I remember a survey carried out six years ago, which asked a number of constabularies what their priorities should be, and then asked the general public the same question. Sure enough, the police replied that they ought to be concentrating on cracking down on sexist language in the canteen, hiring more ethnic minority recruits and so on. The rest of the world thought they should concentrate on being beastly to criminals."** From a euro-briefing from Daniel Hannan MEP [see left].

As Peter Hitchens says: "What evidence there is shows that small, local police forces, not grandiose agencies and state militias, are the most effective and efficient at protecting the people from crime. But perhaps the new Serious and Organised Crime Agency [EU version of the FBI] is not about protecting the people, but intended to protect the state. There's certainly no reason to suppose it will make us any safer." New amalgamations and powers will make this country a fully fledged Police state within 5 years. The police will **not** be public servants, and will NOT swear the Oath of Loyalty to the British Monarch. The Thought Police have arrived – Dixon of Dock Green, the caring face of authority, is long since dead. Beware. The only Serious & Organised Criminals most of us have to fear are within the EU organisations.

The government's Code of Conduct for local councillors stops them speaking on any matter where they have "a personal and prejudicial interest". So if an issue affecting his electors affects a councillor personally too, he can't speak about it. Thus a councillor from a community affected by a huge planning application can't represent his electors' views, has to leave the room when the subject is discussed, and can't even discuss the subject with other councillors. Similarly, if another councillor lives in a block of flats affected by a planning application he can't comment on it even if he declares an interest. Another example: a Powys County Councillor, Bob Mills was disqualified from attending and therefore voting at Planning meetings because of his outspoken comments on wind-farms. Surely the act was not intended to work this way? But Mr Prescott is galumphing through English democracy. Even Ken Livingstone was banned under this Code of Conduct! The examples above are not a fiction, they have already occurred. So much for local democracy.

Whilst on the subject of councillors, have you noticed the odd items in your press saying that from soon after 2007 they may be no more council elections? This is a veiled admission that the unelected EU yes-persons, the Regional Government, will be in full swing by then and democratic councils as we know them will be surplus to requirements and be phased out. So the current elections will be some of the last.

*An interesting little item from A.S.Reed, UKIP, part of a delegation to the EU assembly. "As a resident of Brussels, I notice that many prices are still given in Belgian francs, and I was astounded by the quantity of FB's still in circulation. I forget the exact figure, but the Franc Belgique is still legal tender and people here keep great hoards of them - so resurrection "from the history books" is not necessary. Useful for the when the Euro fails! It shows even the Belgians don't trust the Euro. Italy is having continuing problems with the Euro. There seems to be a growing move to ditch the failing currency and readopt the Lira. Maybe the new KGB Marxist Premier Prodi will be bold enough to go with the flow. Somehow, though, I doubt it.*

On the subject of Belgium – they are attempting to restrict the number of EU students attending their universities. However they would seem to be guilty of discriminating against EU students! No such block in the UK. We now have around 100,000 EU students in our universities. So where are British students expected to study? In the EU? I suppose so, it encourages closer integration!

Australian Government Treasurer Peter Costello hinted that some radical clerics could be asked to leave the country if they did not accept that Australia was a secular state and its laws were made by parliament. *"If those are not your values, if you want a country which has Sharia law or a theocratic state, then Australia is not for you,"* he said on national television. *"I'd be saying to clerics who are teaching that there are two laws governing people in Australia, one the Australian law and another the Islamic law, that this is false."* This also applies to non-clerics. Can you see Blair, Brown or Cameron taking the same line? No way!

Scotland has, in the same way as Ireland, banned smoking in pubs etc. Interesting then that your taxes are paying to subsidise inferior tobacco production in southern Europe [eg Spain]. That is joined up government?!

A ban on hazardous waste and electrical components in landfill sites has resulted in a ban on repairs and upgrades of church organs. This of course covers cathedrals and other halls. Two organs currently under renovation are from the Royal Festival Hall and Salisbury Cathedral. Under EU Directive 2002 95/EC RoHS and EU Directive 2002 96/EC WEEE, it will technically be illegal to reinstall them. Apparently it is because the pipes contain lead, a necessary component. If these pipes are blown by electrical means then they are now illegal to repair. So as they breakdown, they are to be disused. A jobsworth at the DTI said the directive did apply to organs and that Britain could not deviate from a "harmonised approach". She said: *"The DTI has been working with the pipe organ industry for some time on this and is fully aware of the issue."* She said that exemptions from directives could be granted by the EU. If they have been aware of this for some time, why is the ban still in place? Is it that as *"Britain cannot deviate from a harmonised approach"* so the EU cannot grant an exemption? Recently a EU spokesman verbally stated these organs would not come under this legislation. However I don't suppose anyone told Brussels or changed the wording of the act. We shall have to watch this one carefully. On a personal level, in respect to holiday flats, I remember the 1988 Furnishing Act being applicable for new buildings only - 5 years later they made it retrospective to all buildings. Exactly the same happened with the Disabled Discrimination Act, putting me out of business! So I don't have much faith in what they say.

They are good at creeping legislation. When Houses of Multiple Occupation regulations were introduced, they applied to properties in which there were more than 6 people living. By September 2007, this will have been extended to those housing more than two unrelated persons over three floors. So, does this mean a property housing a disabled person with a live-in non-related carer has become a HMO? Or perhaps an unmarried couple living together – in an HMO? Especially if they are renting. No doubt in a few years time, all homes will have to have these crazy regulations. I have no problem with all new buildings having high standards of access, safety, economy etc, but reserve the right to live in existing stock if I so wish. What happened to freedom of choice? What a total waste of money. A free country? I don't think so.

Did you know? ID card fines can be up to £2,500 a time. This is if you are not connected to the government database or if your information is out-of-date. Is this to be the new Gatso - the new money spinner? It is working well like that in Holland. In the first 6 months since their introduction early in 2005, 50,000 people had been fined 50 euros for failing to carry their card – that's 2.5 million euros. How many fraudsters, terrorists and criminals were fined for not having one? None! What a surprise. But what is also not a surprise is that when the cards were introduced the Dutch were told they would not have to carry them – this changed on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2005. Where have we heard that before?

A new European Drivers Licence is set to be introduced in the near future. A plastic photo card that would be updated every 10 years, it is to replace up to 80 different licences in 25 countries, and the UK are all for it. Austria and Germany opposed it but have sold out for a lengthy introduction period. Only Poland continues to stand against it on grounds of cost and practicality.



The Independence/Democracy group in the European Parliament intends to have a bus shadow the European Commissioners around the 25 member states as they promote Brussels' so-called Plan D campaign. The bus is part of the Independence/Democracy group's 'Let the People Decide' campaign, (<http://www.letthepeopledecide.co.uk/>), which brought the petition to you. The Commission launched Plan D last year to promote democracy, dialogue and debate between European citizens in a direct response to French and Dutch voters' rejection of the EU constitution in referendums in the early summer. "The EU constitution is fundamentally anti-democratic and the objective of our tour is to provide the other side of the argument. This bus will dog the steps of the Commission as it jets around Europe pretending that all is well and the constitution is on track," said British MEP Nigel Farage, co-president of the group. We wish it well.

Those of you attending the AGM and the Exeter Rally will know that Trevor Colman has been very busy working out a new initiative which I am very sure will bring many benefits to UKIP and, in turn, to the country. He has won approval to start a pilot scheme in our region literally to advertise our message to the people as a whole.

**It follows in part our successful 2004 European Election idea of getting our message across on Billboards throughout the South West. But this will be augmented with leaflets to be concurrently handed out. These will echo the billboards and cover important but brief and cutting subjects. It is hoped that this will gradually increase the awareness of the population of the problems and dangers of the EU. Aims are: increased membership; EU debate on our terms and, most importantly, UKIP candidates being elected at all levels into positions of influence. Please help this initiative by supporting it in every way. We urgently need funds to pay for this; we need people prepared to deliver these in ALL areas in Dorset North; we need people standing on street corners giving them out to passers-by. We have to pull together on this. It will be our last opportunity to really make a difference at the next elections. After that, it will be too late to stop the gargantuan Eurostate – we will have lost our country. So please speak up now, do all you can to make this work. If you don't, the future will be bleaker than you can imagine. Please ring or write with any offer of help - the addresses are shown below as usual.**

In response to David Cameron outburst about racist fruitcakes, Tory MP for Castle Point [Essex not Bournemouth], Bob Spink said "UKIP supporters are no more racist than Tories were in the last election... I regret very much the personalised political attack on UKIP. I respect them and know local UKIP members are excellent people simply trying to defend Great Britain and our sovereignty from constant attacks from the

unelected, unaccountable and profligate EU Commission. The UKIP Leader, Nigel Farage, was right to ask for an apology, decent Tories will freely give it". We thank Mr. Spink for being brave enough to air these comments. He is clearly a better man than his leader. Perhaps he should defect to UKIP?



We are pleased to welcome Mr. Christopher Gill to UKIP. Mr. Gill [seen left] was formerly Conservative MP for Ludlow and Chairman of the Freedom Association. He resigned before the last election and publicly declared he had voted for UKIP at that election. It must be a big blow for the Conservatives that a man of his integrity and experience has joined UKIP. Simply put: their loss, our gain! Welcome, Mr. Gill.

BAE systems is to sell its 20 percent share in Airbus, possibly to fund a bid for U.S. defence firm L-3 Communications Holdings Inc. The BBC says that the stake is expected to be bought by EADS, the consequence of which will be that there will no longer be any British ownership of the huge manufacturing sites at Broughton in North Wales and Filton near Bristol.

Are there any British owned big businesses in the UK? Look at the motor trade. Almost non-existent. Even French owned Peugeot has announced they are pulling out from Ryton when the new model is to be produced in 2007. Peugeot, who were going to invest £157 million in upgrading Ryton, got fed up waiting for a EU decision on subsidy, and are now going to make the new car in Indonesia. This EU subsidy of 105million euros, provisionally earmarked for Peugeot UK is now going to Trnava in Slovakia. 2,300 British jobs are clearly not important. Remember MG-Rover? British jobs are disposable, at the whim of the EU government.

Yet again, the EU accounts are so illegal and fraud-ridden they cannot be signed off. This is the 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, despite the 'efforts' of Kinnock! Marta Andreasen, the former chief accounting officer of the European Commission who was forced out of her job and then sacked 21 months ago, pleaded to commissioner Neil (now Lord) Kinnock for an independent treasury audit and was turned down on grounds of cost! [This would have been a mere trifle next to the believed fraud it would uncover]. The brave whistleblower said: *"It would have taken an external firm two weeks of work. But I know, as they know, that it would pose serious questions about the EC as an institution and as a guardian of funds of the EU, serious questions about specific civil servants who have held responsibility for 15 or 20 years."*

In the extra pages of the last newsletter, we covered the bill currently going through Parliament that was termed the Traitors Bill. After meeting opposition, the government is fiddling with it to get it through the House of Lords. It does not need to be fiddled with – it just needs to be thrown out altogether. It is a bill too far.

Have we support in High Places? Prince Charles' leaked diaries included coverage of his complaints to government about farming policies. Lord (CND) Haskins, former head of "troubled" Northern Foods and EU enthusiast extraordinaire, was sent to see him. Haskins pointed out that the changes PC wanted would mean leaving the EU. Prince Charles replied, "So?" *Well done, Sir.*

On the subject of Royalty, I took the liberty of sending a congratulatory email from UKIP Dorset North to Her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of her 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday. May she enjoy many more.

Cameron and Blair are in talks regarding the funding of political parties, especially in respect to election expenses. No doubt they will find ways to exclude UKIP and other smaller parties from any state payout. Their funds are bound to be more than adequate to keep the present cartel in power.

Just to lower the tone of this newsletter. I think we should look at what our illustrious Deputy Prime Minister has achieved - when wearing his trousers! Far from being the comic turn he appears, his power is now awesome. His measures [well I suppose those in part dictated to him by the EU], have divided our country into 12 Regional governments despite the North East referendum; regionalised our Fire, Ambulance, Police services and the NHS, making all less efficient; taken over the funding of councils thus controlling local government; planted 'Cabinets' within Councils to do his bidding; forced planners to find over a million new homes in the south, whilst demolishing 160,000+ perfectly good homes in the north, many against the wishes of their occupants; inflicted the inefficient Wind turbines upon us by overturning traditional planning requirements; introducing in 2007 costly Home Information Packs only available from 'certified home inspectors', making it illegal to sell any home without one, [only half the number of inspectors will be trained

in time, causing lengthy waiting lists] ; Introduced EU building regs. on electrics, making it illegal for a householder to carry out even minor electrical operations on their-own home, and causing dangerous confusion with new wiring colours – black can now be live or neutral, whilst blue may be live, neutral or earth depending on when it was installed; I could go on – this man is both dangerous and a total disgrace.

Further legislation has been imposed upon us that will further decimate farming and our capability to produce our own food. An EC environmental directive on water quality dictates that within 6 years the level of nitrates used in fertilisers throughout the EU will have to be greatly reduced, causing millions of farmland in the East of England being returned to grassland or forestry.

Similarly, landfill sites are all to be closed over a period of years in favour of giant incinerators. Recycling is hindered at every turn by other regulations, and as a result fly tipping has already increased by 43%. Oh! The Conservative Boy Wonder, rather than oppose any of this, has proposed to take on even more staff to track down and prosecute fly tipping offenders. So, more strength to UKIP!

Now it is the turn of our telephone numbers to come under the invisible hand of Brussels. Our present area codes are identified with our native towns or cities, but the European Union want our codes to be drawn up based on 'Government Office Regions', i.e. the geographical areas covered by the regional assemblies. If this goes through it will be as expensive as the last numbers change and all done to satisfy the insatiable urge of Brussels to stamp their identify onto us. All totally unwanted by the population of Great Britain.

For those of you with access to the internet, you may like to view the following new site:

<http://www.fco.gov.uk/servlet/Front?pagename=OpenMarket/Xcelerate/ShowPage&c=Page&cid=1007029391638&a=KArticle&aid=1144251163732> . The site is designed to give more info on the wonderful EU.

Yippee!! Just press Ctrl and click to open the link. I hope you survive the experience!

This second one is more specifically against the Traitors Act: <http://www.saveparliament.org.uk/>

This year there will be an election for the position of the Leadership of UKIP. The known timetable for this is as follows:

Nominations Close: June 30<sup>th</sup>. Last Withdrawals: July 10<sup>th</sup>. Hustings: TBA. Manifestos & Voting papers out by dedicated post by August 7<sup>th</sup>. Voting Closes September 7th. Count: September 12th.

This is your opportunity to select the leader you think will be most suitable to lead us successfully through the next Council, EU, and General Elections. A lot is at stake here, and it is not my job to influence you in this.



*Let me leave you with this which illustrates the EU's contempt for their electorate: For the purest statement of the Eurocrats' contempt for the voters, we must turn to the constitution's author, Valéry Giscard d'Estaing. "Let's be clear about this," pronounced Giscard recently. "The rejection of the constitution was a mistake that will have to be corrected." He went on to remind his audience that the Danish and Irish electorates had once been presumptuous enough to vote against a European treaty, but that no one had paid them the slightest attention. A prime example of what we are facing in the EU.*

'Our Val.- their 'L'Ex' !

**See you at the next First-Thursday in the Charlton Inn, Charlton Marshall. So put these dates into your diary straight away! 4<sup>th</sup> May, and 6<sup>th</sup> July. Spot the Missing Date! A special treat on the 1<sup>st</sup> June so no First-Thursday. Christchurch UKIP has arranged a cheese and wine evening giving you the opportunity to meet David Campbell Bannerman, our Party Chairman. Venue: Priory Hall, Christchurch. Tickets £6.50, call to book on 01202 861997. Time 7.30. Parking at the Priory Carpark. See you there!**

Just thought I [JLB] should mention I will be away for most of May, but will be at the first-Thursday.

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