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Just to prove that the Charlton Inn First-Thursdays evenings do exist and are popular, this was snapped during the Feb 1st evening. Around 20 members from three branches attended. A lively and enjoyable time was blended with much information exchange and debate. If you have never been to one come to the next one on the 1st March. No doubt the main topic will be the forthcoming council elections. If you have any connection with them please do come to the meeting if you can. Stuck for transport? Ring JLB – he may be able to organise something.

I am pleased to report that Dorset North received another two applications and now has 14 District Council Candidates. As a result Holt and Sturminster Newton [Stour Valley] will now be represented in the May elections. Congratulations and thanks to our army of candidates. Still time to fill the other 23 wards, isn't there?! I am particularly dismayed we have no candidate in Marnhull – so many members there and no candidates!

A notice to prospective candidates: if you have not had confirmation from JLB of the ward and that all is well please ring/email straight away. We don't want to slip up because of an admin thing!



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COUNCIL ELECTIONS: We have to go full steam ahead with leafleting in the lead up to these elections. Even if you are paper candidates you can still improve your result with these well produced leaflets. There are two categories of leaflets – the ones in envelopes with contact details and SAEs, which will hopefully continue to increase awareness, responses and hopefully members. The other is Candidate literature, which can have photographs of each candidate with a limited message. Full candidates will get full colour and professionally produced leaflets which are very attractive. Paper candidates can have these, or perhaps something similar but locally produced. We are working out costings to see which are feasible. Information will be forthcoming to the candidates and should be available at the March 1st meeting. Can we use this date as a deadline for orders for candidate leaflets from paper candidates?

If you are a candidate and can't leaflet make sure JLB knows this. We can get someone to step in to assist with them. If you are a full candidate, try to get some help so you can knock on doors [go out with 2 people for best effect]. This method can be very successful. If you are not a candidate but can leaflet, again please make sure that JLB knows, remind him to be sure, especially if you have not done any yet. We will have something approaching 20,000 to deliver prior to the election, and I have 10,000 in hand NOW so the more pairs of hands [and feet!] the better. We will of course have to target wards where we have candidates as a priority, although the Trevor Coleman scheme can still carry on elsewhere in Dorset North. If we don't get them out, we won't get the votes.

I am currently trying to meet up with each candidate to ensure they have the correct paperwork and know the timings of each stage. I am happy on these occasions to help fill in the paperwork with the candidates – one to one, perhaps at their homes and to talk through any queries the candidates may have. We are on a steep learning curve but I am sure that together we can figure it all out!

Unless otherwise agreed each candidate will be officially their own Agent, but can pick anyone to be Polling and Count agents. More details at the meeting or when I visit the candidates. I am happy to be the agent for those who are not mobile or are particularly scared of it all! [Help - Can someone be mine?!].

One thing not to forget is to keep strict financial records of all expenditure involved as a candidate. You will be OK up to about £500 each [non-refundable I'm afraid]. Any item [perhaps envelopes for your official candidate leaflet?] over £20 has to have a proper receipt. Don't forget stamps, telephone calls, etc. However you might be able to pay to have your leaflets professionally delivered. I am currently seeking confirmation of that fact. JLB can help supply inexpensive envelopes etc if needed to make your literature more polished.

A message to non-candidates: If you know you have a candidate standing in the ward where you live, please make yourself known to him/her and perhaps help with the leafleting, or canvassing, putting up posters [legitimately!] perhaps on your home windows and cars, and generally helping them. Particularly useful would be to sign their nomination paper, provided you are on the electoral roll in the ward where the candidate is standing. You don't have to

live in the ward to help in it and it is really a matter of all hands on deck for the next couple of months. Don't know who your candidate is? JLB will be happy to liaise for you.

The amended list of wards we intend to contest, which we hope will expand even further, is as follows:

East Dorset: Colehill East x2; Colehill West: Crane: Longham; Stapehill; Wimborne Minster.

North Dorset: Blandford Station; Motcombe and Ham; Riversdale; Shaftesbury Underhill; Stour Valley; The Stours; Wyke. [Unfortunately the candidate for Shaftesbury Central has had to drop out].

Our **branch accounts** are in reasonable condition as we have had one or two donations recently that have been very welcome. If there are any more potential donors in the wings, we would be pleased to hear from you soon so we can try to pull out the stops for this election without making ourselves insolvent. The basics are covered but we could do more. On the national stage, finances are naturally dire at present – court case pending. Of the four main parties we are the only one with NO foreign donations, and all was declared in a legal manner. An oversight by the generous donor - one way of paying £363,697 extra taxation. We hope the court treats the case with the contempt it deserves and chucks it out. We are an increasingly big target; this shows we must be getting some opponents very worried. It was the BNP's turn at the last election – it is ours this time. This must strengthen our resolve to battle on to rid our country of this sort of official malpractice, and get our country back. Keep your chequebooks handy or better still send a cheque off now or click the links on the B'm West website: <http://www.westbournemouthukip.com/> [NB money donated to HQ does not reach the local branch, so for local effect please donate directly to your branch]

Please watch your post for details of the forthcoming AGM. Try to support your committee by attending.

Enclosed is a flyer for a play in Wimborne in which you might just see a certain treasurer making an appearance! Maybe a bit of UKIP support would not hurt. I understand the productions are excellent and the Tivoli is a model of local Independence.

A smaller amount of 'digest' this month as we must concentrate on the Council Elections, sorry for less photos.

In the words of Daniel Hannan MEP, "The EU is making us poorer, less democratic and less free". We should leave the EU and join the European Free Trade Area (all of the benefits and none of the downsides) immediately.

A warning:

There have been reports in other regions of a possible scam whereby someone calls and offers a "special UKIP" deal for your mobile phone. Please note that no such deal has been discussed or authorised by UKIP and you are recommended to simply disconnect the call.

This month's "Answer on a postcard!"

I'm not a betting man, but the odds here seem overwhelming. An item from David Challice.

Once again, the likelihood of the leader of the main parties being **Scottish** is great. Chances of this happening by accident are 1,728-to-1 against. The Tory party [134,446 members=0.22% of population] have the choice of 3 Scots, odd when only 1 in 12 of UK residents are Scottish. The Lib-Dems [29,697 members =0.05% of population] ousted Scottish Kennedy for Scottish Ming Campbell. Brown who may replace Scottish Blair being 1 of 5 Scots as leader in succession [248,832-to-1]. Add 2 Speakers of the House [yes - both Scottish] and you have 35,831,808-to-1, the probability of this being deliberate is 99.996%. Is this not tantamount to being Racial Discrimination? As David says, I have no problem with the Welsh and Scots taking a role in British Politics [and TV reporting for that matter]. However is a Scot going to have England's best interests at heart? So who has arranged this situation? N.B. UKIP is independent of EU influence and has an English Leader... and so was his predecessor!

George Orwell: 'In an age of deceit, speaking the truth is a revolutionary act'.

Do you believe in **coincidences**? "Over the past few years, a Mr Lakshmi Mittal,"[the Indian owner of a mansion in Hampstead,] "has donated large sums of money to the British Labour Party"[reported to be £2million +]. "I am sure it is coincidental that shortly after these donations, the European Commission reduced the rate at which anti-dumping duty was applied to products from Mr Mittal's steel mills in Romania, South Africa, China and India. No other single company benefited to anything like the same extent" reported Roger Knapman. Put this story together with the following: Gordon Brown has announced, at a time when UK students are having to pay tuition fees, hospitals are closing or working grossly under-funded, and our soldiers are dying in action because of a major lack of equipment, that he is to give £200 million of British Taxpayers' money to Indian Schools. A good rate of return for L.M.?

Here is an example, from an unlikely roll model, of a policy this country desperately needs. Colonel **Gaddafi** is firing 400,000 of the country's civil service in a bid to boost the private sector productivity. Well done that man. Funny how your perception of a person can change!

I note with interest that the name **Farage** in Arabic translates as healer. I trust he will be able to provide a cure for our woes and save us from the creeping death called the EU!

Links of the month:

The UK blog of 2006 is run by Dr. Richard North: <http://eureferendum.blogspot.com/>

This site will become more relevant as time goes by: <http://www.britanniaradio.co.uk/>

This is the big one – be sure to sign this one: <http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/Repeal1972ECACT>

We have not heard much about the various **mountains** in Europe for a while and I don't mean the Alps or the Apennines. Our government has, having been questioned, quietly disclosed that at the end of 2006 [September] the Food Mountain exceeded 13 million tonnes. As at 30th Sept 06 the public stocks contained 12,476,812 tonnes of cereal, rice, sugar and milk products and also 3,529,002 hectolitres of wine/alcohol. The scandal continues.

“Once a country applies to join the EU, it becomes our slave” EU official in Brussels

Blair has created over 3,000 new criminal offences during his time in office - one for every day of his tenure and six times the amount created by Tory predecessors John Major and Margaret Thatcher. Allied with a raft of authoritarian anti-terror legislation, social behaviour mandates and hate speech restrictions - ridiculous measures such as criminalizing the nomination of a neighbour to turn off your house alarm have also been introduced. The so-called 'liberal' Blair has instituted a police state that obliterates anything the traditionally imperious Tories could ever get through.

In addition to the frenzied lawmaking, Blair has overseen the abolition of jury rights, handing cases likely to last over 3 months to the dictate of a single judge, criminalized any protest not authorized by the government under the Serious Organised Crime Act, mandated the entry of any protester into a terror database upon police questioning, created glorification of terror laws that are so sweeping they could apply to any form of free speech, eradicated habeas corpus by introducing house arrests and ever-increasing time lengths of detention without charge, attacked the notion of guilty until proven innocent by imposing curfews for under 16's, supported the use of intelligence knowingly obtained from torture in Uzbekistan and allowed the use of British airports for the 'extraordinary rendition' of terror suspects, created framework for the introduction of mandatory ID cards and implemented a national DNA database that stores records for eternity even if the suspect is acquitted of their crime. [+ School Children - He has not finished yet. JB]

Using the fear of terror, Blair has presided over the destruction of liberty in Britain.

Paul Joseph Watson - Prison Planet

If you would wish to instruct your doctor not to pass on your personal **medical file** to the government database called Spine, there is a template online you can download: <http://www.nhsconfidentiality.org/optoutletter> .Do so soon as next year will be too late.

A quick look at some newspapers:

Deutsche Welle reports that the ultra-nationalist Radical Party in January won the most seats in the Serbian general elections, but failed to get an outright majority. Despite the “victory”, it is likely that a “pro-European Union” coalition will form a government, leaving the Radical Party in opposition.

The *Sun* reported that in a speech in January Geoff Hoon called for Georgia, Ukraine, Moldova, Armenia and Azerbaijan to be allowed to join the EU. [**Yet more drains and unwanted motorways for us to pay for.**] *OpenEurope blog* also reported that Hoon also refused to publicly endorse the limits that were put in place for Romanian and Bulgarian migrants by the Home Office.

Gordon Brown is listed as the 97th sexiest man in the world according to a poll in *New Woman* magazine. David Cameron was placed 87th. [**Heaven help us!**]

The *Guardian* notes that the German Presidency is adamant that debate on the Constitution must remain out of the public eye.

The *BBC* reports that Spanish Foreign Minister Alberto Navarro and Luxembourg's Nicolas Schmit have said that, "We cannot resign ourselves to Europe being no more than a huge market or a free trade area. We want a political Europe that can speak with one voice, and with one minister of foreign affairs and a common foreign service."

According to Swedish news service *Europaportalen*, Angela Merkel has sent a letter to the Swedish government which has been classified as secret due to its “sensitive” content. According to Swedish MEP Nils Lundgren the letter may well be advice on how to avoid a Swedish referendum over a revised EU Constitution. Normally official documents in Sweden are made available to public scrutiny.

The *Guardian* states that the National Audit Office has called into doubt Gordon Brown's claim to have made £13.3 bn a year efficiency savings across Whitehall – saying the true figure is nearer £3.1 bn.

According to the *Daily Mail*, new ONS have revealed that six million Eastern Europeans have travelled to Britain since the 2004 enlargement – but no-one knows how many have returned ‘home’ in that time.

The *Times* reports that the National Audit Office has revealed that the new e-passport could need to be replaced after two years instead of the current ten because there are doubts about how long its components might last.

Both the *Telegraph* and *Independent* comment that Britain has one of the worst crime rates in Europe, second only to Ireland, according to a European Crime and Safety Survey.

The *Times on line* comments that the smoking ban enforced by the European Parliament has lasted only 43 days after people who were annoyed with the total ban (it's not possible to just 'slip outside' in a building that size) started smoking everywhere in protest.

FOR YOUR DIARY:

In our Constituency:

REGULAR EVENTS

Thursday 1st March at 7.30pm on: Branch Library available at this meeting.

First-Thursday evening in the Charlton Inn, Bournemouth Road, **Charlton Marshall**. Dine, Drink Chat! Do one or all three! Call John Baxter for further details if needed on 01202 897884. All are welcome – members and their guests, from other branches or prospective members.

Special Event: Saturday 17th March at 7.30 onwards:

An opportunity to view the UKIP website, and more particularly the short films etc that are available there and on other sites on a full-sized TV. Refreshments served [not a dinner!]. Venue is Greenacres, Angel Lane, Longham. No charge for the evening but you better buy some raffle tickets and pop something [preferably unclanky] into the money bucket as donations towards election expenses! Please advise numbers in advance to John Baxter on 01202 897884. Parking in lay-by near the Angel Inn, or at the pub [Shhhhh!], maybe our courtyard, but please not on the lane.

In neighbouring constituencies:

REGULAR EVENTS

WELLS BRANCH UKIP Wells Constituency Association has a regular meeting on the **last Monday of every month** in the downstairs room at the back of the Kings Head Pub, High Street, **Wells**, Somerset.

SALISBURY BRANCH Every **4th Wednesday of the month** UKIP **Salisbury** branch have a lunch social. Contact David Dickenson on 01722 324146

EAST DEVON BRANCH Come and have lunch with UKIP in **East Devon** the **first Tuesday of every month** at the Maltsters' Arms, Woodbury, Devon. Telephone John Kelly on 01395 276130.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday 31st March 2007 – Bournemouth AGM and Lunch

12.30pm at the Bournemouth International Hotel, Priory Road, Bournemouth. Speaker Roger Knapman. The meeting is free – followed by optional lunch @ £10 pp. Cheques and names please to Rod Trelease, 2 Acton Rd, Wallisdown, Bournemouth, BH10 4DW. Cheques to UKIP Bournemouth West.

Saturday 14th of April 2007 - SOUTHWEST SPRING RALLY AND LOCAL ELECTION LAUNCH

Preliminary details are that this will be an all day event in the Great Hall, Exeter University, Stocker Road, Exeter, Devon, EX4 4PY. Not to be missed with elections forthcoming.

For other possible events please see the Bournemouth West Website

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“When bad men combine, the good must associate, else they will fall, one by one, an unpitied sacrifice in a contemptible struggle.” From a speech to English parliament ‘Thoughts on the Cause of the Present Discontents’ given on 23 April 1770 by Edmund Burke.