



UK Independence Party

It's Time We Governed Ourselves

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Well, as you receive this you will be about to vote in the District Council elections. If you are standing, may we wish you for a final time on behalf of the branch committee and the powers that be in Newton Abbott a successful outcome? If you are not may I acknowledge the support given by you to our candidates? Thanks are due to all. We await our fate nervously! We have been blessed with excellent weather whilst canvassing.

Several branch members attended the **South West Rally** in Exeter and were witness to an excellent and well supported occasion. They were treated to an excellent line-up of speakers – every one fresh, interesting and stimulating. Hosted very capably by ‘our’ Malcolm Wood, adhering to the timetable impeccably, we heard from speakers new and old [in a manner of speaking!]. The Conference Merchandising Director, David Bendall, spoke about what was available in the great hall, and emphasised that the country should not throw away its independence. **Piers Merchant**, the former MP, stressed the need to reach a wider public and the debt owed to the following speaker **Roger Knapman** MEP, our former leader. Then the first of our recent converts, **Prof. Tim Congdon** CBE, a leading economist, spoke on the importance of independence.

Lord Willoughby de Broke, one of two members of the House of Lords now representing UKIP, spoke of his conversion spurred by the Treaty of Maastricht [more correct ‘The Treaty of European Union’] and the leaching of power to Brussels. As the EU evolved the Tories, under Major, Hague, and IDS failed to rethink Britain’s position. He poured scorn upon the notion of the UK becoming a strong voice in Europe ... Squeak, squeak, squeak!

Lord Willoughby was followed by our most generous benefactor **Alan Bown**. He explained some of the details and bias in connection with the ‘illegal’ donation, and that a two-day hearing is to be held from the 23rd July. The guidance notes of the Act stated that the aim was to prevent foreign nationals buying influence over British affairs, and that his donation was “in the spirit of the act.” He felt as strongly as ever that UKIP was ‘a Noble Cause Worth Supporting’. He reiterated his generous promise to indemnify UKIP against any losses due to the forthcoming court case.

Trevor Coleman [right] reported that as a result of the South West Billboard campaign combined with the leafleting program Newton Abbott had received over 8,000 respondents and UKIP had gained some 450 new members. Currently the office was dealing with nearly 500 enquiries a week. On the strength of this success, it had been decided to continue the campaign up to the expected EU elections in 2009. Trevor then described the Final Betrayal – “They promised us a vote on the EU constitution. They lied” – this being the next campaign leaflet.



Delroy Young, [left] although clearly suffering through ill-health, spoke eloquently on UKIP Youth. Born and educated in the West Indies, Delroy is a NEC member with the special responsibility for ‘Young Independence’, an initiative to attract members under 30s, with a system of mentors. More will I’m sure be heard on this subject.

The morning session was brought to a rousing close by our leader **Nigel Farage** laying out the way forward. He acknowledged the many UKIP candidates in the Council elections. The hope was that we would be able to increase our average percentage of vote from about 12% to 20% this time round. We should not expect success in numbers of seats won, but in a general rise of support. BE WARNED! He asked that the next round of candidates for the General and Council Elections should be put in place this summer, & reminded all that the next EU elections would be in 2009.

After a break for an excellent lunch, photos with our leader, and the opportunity to shop for England, we settled down to another impressive program of speakers. After hearing from **David Campbell Bannerman**, the Deputy Party Leader, and **Dr. John Whittaker**, MEP, the Party Chairman, who advised us that UKIP had received about £100,000 in six weeks as a result of the Alan Bown affair, and that UKIP was ‘the only show in town,’ **Lindsay Jenkins**, author of ‘Disappearing Britain’ spoke regarding the British Bobby on the Beat. She warned that the EU Police force was of Napoleonic in format, had top-down policies, which was opposite to that which we enjoyed in the UK. Laden down with Political Correctness and red tape, it had to implement the EU’s Human Rights Act and was far from the ‘Policing for the People’ as promised in blairspeak.



Sir Dai Llewellyn, Welsh Assembly Candidate and a recent convert to UKIP, offered greetings from Wales and in particular from Cardiff North. For a politician he has an unusual voting history - He voted for Heath and, realising his folly, has never voted since! That will now change. "Coming to UKIP is like coming home" and he accused MPs of being "Self Serving Liars." In case you are wondering, Baronet Sir Dai is the son of Olympic Show Jumping gold medallist Sir Harry Llewellyn. He wants to see the Welsh Assembly scrapped, describing it as a 'load of Horlicks!' As an aside, Sir Dai mentioned that the Sultan of Brunei believes in UKIP. He felt that support against the Assembly was on the increase and that UKIP could surprise at the forthcoming elections as voting for the Assembly was by way of Proportional Representation, a system that tend to favour smaller parties. We wish him and UKIP Wales well.

William, the Earl of Dartmouth, [right] spoke next. He joined UKIP in January this year, believing that Britain would be better off outside the EU, citing, the cost of EU membership, job-destroying legislation and lack of border controls. He stated that the UK could only freely compete in the global economy if outside the EU. Cameron was a slave to Political Correctness. Blair had involved us in five wars whilst all the time demoralising our troops by consistency reducing their funds, disbanding their regiments and being in favour of the Euroforces.



Francis Howard [not Howerd, mrs!] was a finalist in the speaking competition at Telford last year. Involved in education, she bemoaned the way the education system was failing pupils, so that many were leaving school semi-illiterate. She emphasised this by stating that three million immigrants spoke better English than many UK school leavers.



Just before an interesting Question and Answer session involving Nigel Farage, Dr. John Whittaker and Graham Booth, Malcolm Wood introduced an unusual phenomenon! **Avril King** accompanied by 18 yr old **Emma-Leigh Graham** [seen here with N.F.] – Grandmother [Poole Town] and Grand Daughter [Oakdale, Poole] both standing in the May elections. Emma-Leigh is believed to be UKIP's youngest council candidate. Incidentally Graham Booth's wife and Granddaughter are also standing in the election. [Dorset North's youngest is David Baxter (Stapehill) at 25.] We were also introduced in an entertaining interlude to the Calne Council Candidates. They hit the headlines when effectively the whole serving Council left the Conservatives and joined UKIP en masse. In all there will be 13 candidates in the Calne Council elections standing for UKIP.

To see a snippet of the Exeter Rally question and answer session see [Nigel Farage respond to the question of the Devon and Dorsets: http://www.ukip.tv/?page_id=3](http://www.ukip.tv/?page_id=3)

The rally was enjoyed by all, with gushing praise being quite correctly lavished upon it. As the cover of the program states "*Nothing can stop an idea whose time has come*".

Our **AGM** is nearly upon us at this busy time for the branch. Many new things this time as you will have seen in the notice sent out a couple of weeks ago: A new venue in the beautiful rural setting of the well equipped Pimperne Village Hall; and the bonus of kitchen facilities. So for the first time we will be able to offer free teas and coffees and a few nibbles before and after the AGM. Access is also first rate; on the level with no steep stairs to clamber up, and parking virtually to the door in a very spacious dedicated free car-park. So, no excuses for not attending! Please make this event a resounding success. Members from other branches and potential members and guests are all very welcome. If you have transport troubles, and also if you are going by car with a spare seat or two, please let us know. We might be able to combine to fill the cars and hall! See you there!

Away from our branch, although alas not much room:

It is clear that the 'new' **constitution** that the Germans are brokering at present will confirm an EU President and Foreign Minister, although they are unlikely to have that name for now. Most national vetoes will be scrapped thus expenses will rise substantially and all that the EU wants will be inflicted upon us the European peasants, e.g. Corpus Juris etc. All this will be carried out under the mask of Global Warming and Terrorism.

As you may have heard, The German Chancellor, Angela Merkel, was recently reputed to have sent a letter to her fellow EU heads of government. This turns out not to be fiction - Daniel Hannan MEP has received a copy. In it, she proposes a scheme to bring back the European Constitution under a new name - or, as she artlessly puts it, "to use different terminology without changing the legal substance".

Further to an article included in the last newsletter regarding **invasion of privacy** etc by the state, Ealing Council has started to use cameras hidden in fake bricks and baked bean cans to film people's rubbish habits. Even people putting

their bins out on the wrong day will receive a visit from enforcement officers. This new category of crimes has an equally new name: Envirocrimes. No doubt they will become important money spinners for the EU.

New official figures on Romanian and Bulgarian **migration** to the UK show 60,000 migrants arrived from these countries between December 06 and February 07. These figures are threefold the same period the previous year.

Who said this? “What you cannot have is a rejection of the treaty and bring it back with a few amendments and say, ‘Have another go’.” ??? Answer at the end of the newsletter.

Is it not typical of our scheming masters that the Royal Navy's **aircraft carriers** have finally been ordered just days before the Scottish elections? They will be assembled in Rosyth, Scotland. It will be interesting to see what aircraft will be based on them – we currently have none suitable – the Sea Harrier was decommissioned in 2006.

Peter Shore on the then Tory Government's methods of getting public acceptance of the EU in 1972:

“When the people feel they are being made subject to laws in which they feel they have played no part and taxes to which they have never consented, respect for both law and government is undermined. Our tradition for order and peaceful change is based not only on the character of our own people but on an enduring, if tacit, bargain between Government and governed that the former will play fair and will be scrupulous in how they deal with the people's rights. But if Governments do not play fair, if they behave in a way people consider to be in itself unconstitutional, there is evidence enough in British history to show we are not a docile people but a very determined and fierce one indeed”.

A recipe for social breakdown – and the emergence of UKIP? [Ed].

Twinning has been taking place between British and European towns and cities for many years. Originally a low-key friendly exercise, things are nowadays more sinister. Did you know that the Mayor of a British town that wishes to be twinned has to swear allegiance to the European Union? How do the ‘twinners’ obtain EU funds for twinning? Since 1999, financial support is only granted if a special theme (i.e. European citizenship, European Union and its impact on local authorities, topical European policy issues such as, for example, the Amsterdam Treaty, the single currency, European elections, enlargement, and other ongoing policy areas, e.g. employment, a social Europe, culture, Common Agricultural Policy, etc) is included in the meeting programme. Any folkloristic events and commercial exchanges are not co-financed.

A quick look at some newspapers:

- A Twisted Mind? Timothy Garton Ash recently interviewed Tony Blair for the *Guardian*. Blair argues that the UK remains “stolidly Eurosceptic”, mostly due to the media. However, he claims that, in fact, “The British people are sensible enough to know that, even if they have a certain prejudice about Europe, they don't expect their government necessarily to share it or act upon it”. Blair reiterated that he hopes to agree a new treaty with other European leaders in June, an amending treaty, and not a constitution, emphasising that this was “in the true British national interest”.
- *Svenska Dagbladet* reports that OLAF and the Italian authorities have revealed another fraud in Southern Italy. The EU is reputed to have paid out several million euros between 2001-2004 for buying and selling surplus citrus fruit under the notorious CAP. Interestingly, neither Farmers, the Fruit nor the Buyers existed.
- *Sveriges Radio* state that Swedish Finance Minister Anders Borg has said that both the political and economical cost for Sweden of staying outside the eurozone has been negligible, arguing that other factors, such as labour market reforms, are more important for member states' economic growth.
- A Communicate Research poll for the *Independent* has found that support for the Labour Party has fallen to its lowest level since 1983. It puts the Conservatives on 36 per cent (up one point on last month's survey), Labour on 27 per cent (down four points), the Liberal Democrats on 22 per cent (up two points) and other parties on 15 per cent (up one point).
- According to *IHT* a study commissioned by the European Parliament's Green group has shown that the monthly commute between the European Parliament's headquarters in Brussels to its second seat in Strasbourg is producing 20,000 tons of carbon dioxide a year, equivalent to the greenhouse gases produced by 13,000 round-trip flights from London to New York, or annually by 4,000 London households.
- The *Telegraph* reports that Frederick Forsyth has urged David Cameron to "kill UKIP stone dead" by committing the party to a policy of seizing back key policies from Brussels. He advised Cameron to "talk softly but carry a big stick" when negotiating with the EU. He went on, “If you said 'we would like to propose the repatriation of six sovereign powers; we want the British to control our borders, our courts, our fisheries, our agriculture, our human rights and our trading policies, 80pc of Brits would agree.
- The *Guardian* suggests that China could overtake the US as the world's biggest sources of greenhouse gases within months.
- The *Express* reports that the EU is funding dustbin collections in the Galapagos Islands. More tellingly, the *Sunday Express* reports that the UK police are covertly investigating over 40 criminal gangs believed to have entered the UK from Bulgaria or Romania since the countries joined the EU. No doubt the tip of the iceberg.

I'm afraid that is it for another month – See you in Charlton Marshall or Pimperne.

FOR YOUR DIARY:

In our Constituency

Thursdays 10th May and 7th June at 7.30pm onwards:

Branch Library available at these meetings. First-Thursdays 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, those from other branches or prospective members.



Saturday 19th May from 10am:

Dorset North Branch Annual General Meeting at the Pimperne Village Hall, Newfield Road, Pimperne, nr Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 8UB. Your chance to influence the way your branch is being run. Doors open from 10am for teas and coffees etc, the official business of **the AGM from 11am to 12 Noon**.

Guest speaker; Malcolm Wood – Political Assistant to Graham Booth MEP.

Free parking on site. Branch UKIP Shop + Branch Library also available.

Can offer or need Transport? Contact JLB 01202 897884.

All are welcome – members and their guests, other branch members or prospective members. There is even a children's' play area adjoining the car-park – unsupervised but on view from the hall.

Regular Events in neighbouring constituencies:

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. Contact Wyn Thomas on 'gb.thomas@ukonline.co.uk'

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

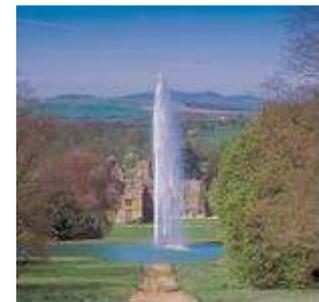
Saturday 9th June: Noon for 1pm start

Hog roast and summer party at Stanway House, Stanway, Gloucestershire. GL54 5PQ, courtesy of Lord and Lady Neidpath.



£12 a ticket for a hog roast and pudding with a cash bar. Roger Knapman MEP, Guest Speaker. Wear your UKIP lapel badges!

Use of the ancient Tythe Barn in case of inclement weather.



See details of this superb and historic Jacobean Cotswold property on www.stanwayfountain.co.uk. Don't miss this opportunity – Contact Neil Warry – niall@warry.go-plus.net

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Answer to 'Who said this?' Tony Blair in 2004.