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It has been a quiet month for Dorset North members in the aftermath of the District Council elections. June's FirstThursday evening was the quietest in several months, although numbers were slightly up for July. So please do continue to support us even when there is no election called.

Party Leader and MEP **Nigel Farage** was guest of honour at the special Christchurch meeting at the end of June. A capacity crowd welcomed him and he managed individually to speak to many members. A successful evening. I have no report of the Stanway House event as, as far as I know, no-one from Dorset North attended. That said, I am sure the day was interesting and a great success. The beautiful venue would have been worth the journey alone.

Situations Vacant

Parliamentary Candidate required for the Dorset North Parliamentary Constituency

We urgently need applicants to form a shortlist for this important position.

This is your chance to stand for the Westminster Parliament whilst it still means something.

We do not yet know when the election will be, but we need to be ready to start campaigning instantly in case Prime Minister Brown calls a snap election in September or early 2008.

In the first instance please contact John Baxter who will be pleased to supply the necessary forms.

Contact details at the end of this newsletter.

Alternatively if you would like more details or to talk it over with Malcolm Wood, Political Assistant to Graham Booth MEP, please ring 01722 744 814

Dorset South UKIP has a new Chairman. Darren Patterson has taken over from Vicki Sharp who has stood down, although she will continue to serve her branch on the committee to the same high standards. We wish Darren well and ask that members of all branches support his Garden Party on the 2nd September, which will give an excellent opportunity to meet him. Further details in the diary section.



As some of you may know I took my holiday in **Malaysia** again in June. I always scan the local papers for anything EU related. Last year Mandelson was making a royal visit. This time *The Star* reported on comments made by the EU envoy to Malaysia, Thierry Rommel, who bluntly maintained that Malaysia was losing its attractiveness to foreign investors. The Malaysian Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz countered that his remarks were "totally unwarranted and rubbish", based on information 10 years out of date, and that he "has an attitude problem." Sounds like a typical EU politician! So it is not just UKIP that notices these things.

The election to find **Town Councillors** for Ferndown took place on the 19th July. There were no UKIP candidates as far as I know! Consequently I cannot comment on the suitability of the successful candidates. We just hope the bickering will stop and that the councillors get on running the town to the benefit of the inhabitants and not the EU & themselves.

By-elections in Sedgefield & Ealing Southall were also held on the 19th July. At Sedgefield we were up against the BNP and the English Democrats, thus the anti-EU was split three ways, with 11 candidates standing as opposed to 15 in the General Election. At Ealing-Southall there were 13 candidates [as opposed to just 5 at the G. Election], including the English Democrats but not the BNP. As you will know, Labour held both seats, as expected, but with greatly reduced majorities. UKIP achieved 536 coming 6th out of 11 and 285 respectively, coming 6th out of 12, beating the English Democrats on both occasions, but loosing to a strong BNP at Sedgefield [2,494]. Regrettably it seems we are still not getting the message across. What do we have to do to substantially increase our vote or even win???

Prime Minister Gordon Brown is clearly continuing the deceit perpetrated by his predecessor Blair. No referendum in the offing. What tricks does he have up his sleeve?

There are rumours that there could be a snap **General Election** either later this year or early next year, with Brown capitalising on the ineffectual Cameron. If Cameron lost, it could be the beginning of the end for the Conservatives, the party becoming split between pro and anti EU factions. This could bode well for UKIP if Tories of a like mind join up with us. However Brown would have a mandate for five more years of a non-listening quisling government. He will no doubt state that an election win will be as good as a referendum on the EU and the non-treaty. Are UKIP and more especially the Dorset North branch ready to fight an election at this time? Time for more leafleting, recruiting and getting our message



across. So no relaxing yet please. The pressure must be maintained. The word must be spread. We must be ready. A candidate must be sort and selected with care. This needs to be done straight away, otherwise we may have no candidate in place when the election is called.

Did you know? The most common name in the world is Mohammed. – and think how many Chinese there are!

After the beautiful sunshine in April, it has hardly stopped raining since. The result is awful **floods**. There is to be a £1m investigation to find the why it has happened. Well, I think all normal non-governmental people can give the answer for free:– *“DON'T BUILD ON FLOOD PLAINS! They are there to be flooded.”* Prescott should be sued by each and every one of the flood victims who have had to live in these unsafe areas. And what does his successor do? Ups the number of houses needed every year thus encouraging more building on flood plains [10% of the total are be built in these areas] – a great answer to this problem mostly caused by the influx of immigrants from the EU countries. 700,000 a year has to be too many. The right to privacy has gone out of the window with the infill and overcrowded manner of building. It is like living in a goldfish bowl and will surely raise the stress levels of those having to live in them. We already have the smallest new housing in Europe due to high land prices. Now we are to have the wettest! We hear nothing of this problem on the continent.



It has been calculated that in the last 3,500 years there have only been 230 years of peace in the civilized world.

Periodically I publish a link to a **petition**, usually on a government website, which usually is treated with contempt by the Prime Minister and the result is totally ignored. We have a new one this month and it has been started by our very own Nigel Farage. The wording is thus: *We the undersigned petition the Prime Minister to let the people decide on the future relationship between Britain and the European Union and not pass through new treaties without consulting the voters.* The link is <http://www.letthepeopledecide.co.uk> and click on “Sign our petition” link. Please help to make this a success, and see whether Brown honours his pledge to listen to the people.

Whilst you are on the internet don't forget to check out the latest on UKIP TV at http://www.ukip.tv/?page_id=138 and http://www.ukip.tv/?page_id=74

Have you noticed the number of times on the radio, television or in newspapers that a Minister or his department – even to a low level – refuse to comment or join in discussions? Does this not illustrate the **contempt** they have for the electorate who pay their gold-plated salaries?

German Chancellor Angela Merkel on the new non-treaty: “The fundamentals of the constitution have been maintained in the large part...We have renounced everything that makes people think of a state, like the flag and the national Anthem” – El Pais, 25th June 2007.

Christopher Booker has exposed a worrying new development on the subject of **compensation** in this country. If you are arrested and held in custody, however long, pending investigation and are eventually released without charge you can no longer claim any compensation for the damage done to your shattered life, even if it has cost you your business, home or marriage. How fair is that? If however it goes to court and you are found guilty but later acquitted you still can claim some recompense. We have Charles Clarke to thank for this iniquity.



It is now out in the open – we are a colony of the EU commission. In early July a busy Christopher Booker also reported that Jose Manuel Barroso, the President of the European Commission, had boasted that the EU is now an **“empire”**, of which 27 countries, including Malta, Latvia and Britain, are just satrapies*. Mr Barroso was joining in the chorus of rejoicing from political leaders all over the EU, now that nothing can stop them imposing their “constitution by any other name”, to make the handover of national power to their new government all but complete. Do not forget that Labour pledged at the last election to hold a referendum on the constitution. As usual this was ditched in the standard Labour fashion of disregarding the wishes of the British people.

Just in case you do not know what a satrap is, here is the Wikipedia definition: The word satrap is often used in modern literature to refer to world leaders or governors who are heavily influenced by larger world superpowers or hegemonies.

*Just in case you do not know what a Hegemony is, here is the Wikipedia definition: Hegemony is a concept that has been used to describe the existence of dominance of one social group over another, such that the ruling group -- referred to as a hegemon -- acquires some degree of consent from the subordinate, as opposed to dominance purely by force. There, I hope that is clear now!

The UK recently moved to join the **Prüm** Treaty, a data-sharing agreement that will allow EU states to give one another automatic access to genetic records, fingerprints and traffic offences.

Which gives better value? The Cost of the Royal Family is 61p per person per year. The average cost of the Common Agricultural Policy across Europe is £250 per person per year.

Le Tour De France 2007 has recently taken place. Interestingly, for a race purporting to be French, it started in London. Apparently to commemorate the 7th July bombing, the first section was not part of the actual race and is termed the prologue. The race proper started in Kent, finishing in Canterbury. So France is now confirming publicly the South East of England to be in France. Incidentally, the Tour de France visited the UK in Plymouth in 1974, no doubt celebrating either the Spanish Amada or Heath committing us with deceit to the Common Market. 1994 also saw the race having two stages in Kent/Sussex and Hampshire, both stages in the South East region. Can you imagine the UK having a Tour of England starting in Paris?!!

Regional Assemblies, which oversee the spending of tens of millions of pounds on housing, transport and planning, are to be scrapped, the government has said. The eight assemblies in England are made up of councillors who are nominated to sit on them. From 2010, their role will be transferred to the business-led Regional Development Agencies, which will have an 'enhanced role'. Councils could also get the power to levy business rates again. Local Government Minister John Healey told MPs the aim was to "give local authorities and communities greater responsibility and opportunity to boost economic growth in their area."

The '**Treaty**' [so called so we Brits can see it is not a Constitution] is virtually identical [or at least 90% of it is] to the last one that was rejected by Holland and France, and will need to be ratified by all 27 countries of the EU. Joining the Euro is mandatory, so Brown may have to renege on his promise to hold a referendum on it prior to our entry. Members cannot sign international treaties independently nor can they select their own commissioners – these are to be selected by the then current President from amongst his Yes-men. Each state has to support a common foreign policy actively and unreservedly. Even sport will fall under EU jurisdiction. Almost total loss of self governance is assured. Again our own politicians are deceiving us.

As you may have read in literature from head office, it has been suggested that **Parish Polls** be held organised by an alliance of groups including UKIP. The South West hopes to co-organise 25 such polls. So far, 13 are on their way. 6 parishioners sign a declaration asking for a parish meeting 'on a question'. The District Council organise a parish poll on the question if 10 parishioners vote for the motion, the suggested wording being 'Do you want a referendum on the EU Constitution?' This should result in extra publicity before the October deadline when the Portuguese EU President intends to complete the agreement of the constitution. As yet there is not one organised in Dorset North. Is there sufficient interest in your neck of the woods to hold one? If so get into contact with JLB very quickly so we can get this on the road. It would seem perhaps that one of the most suitable areas to hold one would be Sturminster Newton. Do you agree or can you offer an alternative parish?

EU home affairs commissioner Franco Frattini is set to pave the way to a single European prosecutor who would have powers to initiate and proceed with the investigation of serious cross-border crimes - "*I am convinced that Europe will have its general prosecutor in the future*". His words come just two months prior to his plan to table a two-step strategy aimed at strengthening **Eurojust**, the bloc's judicial body and seen as the key-stone for a single European prosecution office.

A very quick look at some newspapers:

- A leader in *Le Monde* on Tony Blair's legacy in Europe notes, "Europe did not bend to his demands. It did not follow him in his battle against the Charter of Fundamental Rights, the extension of qualified majority voting or the designation of a Foreign Affairs Minister."
- *The Times Online* state that the proposal for a border force was shamelessly adopted from the Conservatives. Mr Brown said that officers from the immigration service, Revenue and Customs and UK Visas would be brought together, creating a single checkpoint for travellers. The uniformed border patrol would not be a police force but would have powers to arrest individuals and to seize documents and other materials..... A committee of MPs also gave warning that airline passengers could become terrorist targets because of new security measures. It said lengthy queues at check-in and departure halls were vulnerable to a bomb attack.
- *The Western Morning News* reports that residents are appalled after being told they could face fines of £75 if they do not cover up their rubbish with blankets to deter Gulls. Families in Newquay have received letters threatening fixed penalty fines if they do not show a proper "duty of care" to their rubbish. The threat of fines is the latest move in an ongoing dispute between residents and private firm Serco which has taken control of waste disposal in the town. The local Mayor endorses the company stance.
- In *The Telegraph* Daniel Hannan argues that the Government cannot 'lecture us' about British patriotism whilst being feeble in standing up for British interests in Brussels.
- The *Independent* reports that Chancellor Alistair Darling has admitted the soaring cost of Gordon Brown's tax credit system – where fraud and errors cost more than £1billion a year – is 'unacceptable'.
- The *Express* quotes from a new report by the TaxPayers' Alliance which has found that the total net overrun for 305 UK Government projects was over £23 billion above initial estimates - the equivalent of over £900 for every household in Britain.

FOR YOUR DIARY:

A National Event

On **Bank Holiday Monday 27th August** there is to be a rally in London demanding the government holds a referendum on the subject of the EU constitution/rally. Called **The Pro-Referendum Rally**, this is supported by organisations that are both pro or anti the constitution. To register your support please click on this link: <http://www.proreferendumrally.co.uk/registration.php> . It is hoped that some from this area support this initiative. There should be more details on this at the Charlton Marshall First Thursday meeting at the Charlton Inn from 7.30pm on the 2nd August [sorry for the short notice]. Gawain Towler will be there from Brussels to give the latest information on this subject. Please give this your support. If sufficient interest transport could be arranged to London.

Don't miss the Charlton Marshall First-Thursday on the 2nd August as Gawain Towler from Brussels and Wimborne will be there talking about the Pro-Referendum Rally.

In our Constituency

Thursdays 2nd August & 6th September at 7.30pm onwards:

Branch Library available at these meetings. 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 or prospective members. Joint event with other local branches. An excellent opportunity to network!



Regular Events in neighbouring constituencies:



WELLS BRANCH

UKIP Wells Constituency Association meets regularly on the **last Monday of every month** in the downstairs room at the back of the Kings Head Pub, 36 High Street, **Wells**, Somerset, BA5 2SG. Contact Wyn Thomas on 'gb.thomas@ukonline.co.uk'

SALISBURY BRANCH

Every **4th [last] Wednesday of the month** [excluding August & December] UKIP **Salisbury** branch have a lunchtime social at the Rose and Crown, Harnham Rd, Harnham, Salisbury SP2 8QJ. Phone Margaret Strange on 01980 623907 or contact David Dickenson on 01722 324146 for further details.



EAST DEVON BRANCH

Come and have lunch with UKIP in **East Devon** the **first Tuesday of every month** at the Maltsters' Arms, Woodbury, Devon. EX5 1LN Telephone John Kelly on 01395 276130.



SPECIAL EVENTS

DORSET SOUTH BRANCH:

Sunday 2nd September 2007 @ 14.30

Garden Party with free wine and a buffet. Guest speaker Rear Admiral (retired) Richard Heaslip CB. A superb social occasion whilst raising funds for the South Dorset Association. The venue is Little Orchard, junction of Broadmoor Road and Waterloo Road, Corfe Mullen, BH21 3RB [with thanks to Mr. & Mrs. D.E.Hampton]. Priced at a very reasonable £2.50 a ticket. For further details and to book please contact Darren Paterson on 01929 405827 or 07769 501268 – or email darrenpaterson@tiscali.co.uk .

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