

# UKIP UK Independence Party

*It's Time We Governed Ourselves*

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This time is a double issue as your editor will be disappearing to the other side of the world for a family celebration just at the time he should be writing a December issue - what a slacker! So no apologies for this being another long edition! There is much to read which hopefully will keep you occupied for the two months before the next issue! We bring you the remaining report on the September Annual Conference [we believe this is the sole report of all speeches] and more of what the government is or will be doing in your name.



But first we have another party switcher! A former Conservative association chairman has changed her allegiance to UKIP. Kay Hipsey blamed being shunned by fellow Tories because her husband, former Council Leader Terry Hipsey left the Tories to join Labour 6 months previously, also says she has lost faith in the way the party is being run locally and accused them of hooking up with the BNP. Mrs Hipsey, 46, a Tory for 30 years, had been chairman of the East Basildon and Thurrock Conservative Association from 2006 to 2008. We welcome her most warmly to UKIP and hope she will soon feel fully at home!



We are also pleased to welcome two more former Tories to the fold. Philip Smith, a former councillor, who was chairman of Mansfield Conservative Association, and 31 year old district councillor Nick Bennett [right] both said they felt let down by the Tories' stance on the EU.

Another positive item: Proving that UKIP can win first-past-the-post elections, Susan McCaffery has just taken her seat on Billericay **Town Council** in Essex – after polling 57% in a by-election! Our congratulations.

The Dorset North branch is holding a **Bonfire Night** celebration on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> November. Weather permitting there will be a nice big bonfire, with a nice EU style guy to burn. We don't do fireworks because of the horses etc in the area, but we do do food and drink! Susie will be preparing all manner of treats and all can be washed down by mulled wine and a free bar. It is also your opportunity to ask Steve Crowther anything at all about UKIP and he will no doubt have a few interesting things to impart. A really informal fun evening, just bring a change of footwear and £7.50 – don't eat before you come, there is no need! Please book right away – numbers are currently modest and we need to have many more to welcome Steve to Dorset North for the first time. [See diary for further details].

With so much at stake in the General Election in respect to the future of the EU it is obvious that UKIP and the BNP are going to be under massive attack in each and every way to discredit us and put us out of business. Lo and behold it has started. What a surprise. UKIP have to pay £363,000 **fin**es to the treasury for Alan Bown's unfortunate lapse from the electoral roll. This reverses Judge Tim Workman ruling in August 2007 that the omission of donor Alan Bown's name from the electoral register of 2005 was "a genuine and inadvertent error". The Lib Dems received £2.4 million from an impermissible donor, Michael Brown, a Spanish resident who has since received a lengthy prison sentence, and the Lib-Dems didn't get fined or have to repay it. Lakshmi Mittal, the Indian businessman, gave millions of pounds to the Labour Party with no problem. Yet UKIP gets fined heavily. This also clearly shows how corrupt the legal system now is in the UK. One law for pro-EU parties and people, and another for their opponents. – the EU model. By the way, we may be indebted to Stuart Wheeler to help clear this up. He has, it is reported, offered to keep UKIP afloat by donating some but not all of the to-be-forfeited amount. Good on you, Sir. The Tories have lost a star! Please follow his example and assist.

Talking of India, it has become increasingly clear that at this time of financial hardship that the government policy on **state aid** appears to be nothing short of farcical. India is destined to be a leading player in the world, managing a vast budget, its own space programme and nuclear power. India has just launched a probe [£52m] to the moon which has discovered water there. It has just completed a second aircraft carrier and tanks to the combined value of £2b and has commissioned a further two carriers. So it may surprise you to know that we are funding £825m of food aid this year to India, having already donated £1045m of taxpayers' money over the last five years.

On the subject of democracy the candidates for **Party Leadership** of UKIP have been declared. We believe the candidates to be, in no particular order, Nikki Sinclair MEP, Mike Nattrass MEP, Cllr Alan Wood, Lord Pearson of Rannoch, and Gerard Batten MEP. You will however soon receive official notification and voting papers so that you can choose our next leader. Please be sure to vote – this is important.

In December the leaders of the world including Obama are due to sign the **Treaty of Copenhagen**. Superficially it is a treaty dealing with the western world's guilt about manmade global warming. We are going to be committed to paying £bs to third world countries by way of reparation for creating this. All total nonsense of course. There will be a hue and cry about this fiscal farce, masking the true intent of the treaty. According to Lord Christopher Monckton, however, it is the basis of a communist world government, and he is one of the few people to have read it. Some of it is legally binding above the level of the US constitution. Lord Monckton does write from an American point of view but what he says equally applies to the UK. View a copy of the Treaty of Copenhagen – it will make a good Xmas read at 181 pages! <http://alturl.com/vnrr> The amount of twaddle included in it is awe-inspiring! Not sure whether to classify it under 'Fact or Fiction!'



You may be aware that under orders from the European Union, the Government is destroying local democracy in Britain. Just as New Labour has made Parliament impotent by transferring national powers to Brussels, it has also squashed local councils and brought in unaccountable quangos to take charge of planning, housing and transport – all in the name of EU-imposed “regionalization”. We have mentioned the privatisation of local authorities in a previous issue, but now there is an organisation set up to fight it. Set up by the Campaign for an Independent Britain it is called the ‘**Campaign to Save Local Democracy**.’ They have a website where you can join in and find out further details: <http://www.eurosceptic.org.uk/savelocaldemocracy>

On a current news story, MPs' expenses, it has been suggested that the reason that new standards are being **retrospectively** applied, forcing MPs to repay moneys for expenses that were within the law at the time of their being claimed, is that other new laws will be introduced and applied retrospectively affecting 'ordinary' people. The government can then plead that MPs complied with that type of law, so why shouldn't everyone else?

The fact that the **Tories** are eurosceptic is becoming increasingly hard to believe with each policy they utter. Take for example the new high speed rail network currently under construction. The Tories have announced that they want European train operators to run it, and not Network Rail. In fact it is becoming unclear whether they want to be elected next May. They are haemorrhaging votes on EU issues, esp. their fudged handling of the Lisbon treaty 'referendum'; the policy of all-women shortlists for many of their seats; the proposed return of major Europhile Michael Heseltine. The election was a foregone conclusion only a few weeks ago, but now the outcome might be very different.



As a result of the BBC's stichup of the **BNP** on Questiontime in October the following encouraging piece was written by the Daily Express Chief Political Commentator Patrick O'Flynn who says " There is a massive gap in the market for a non-racist party that is against further mass immigration and ready to resist Islamofacism. Nick Griffin's BNP is not it." After attacking the BNP, Labour, Lib Dems & Tories he says "So who can fill the gap? The obvious candidate is UKIP. In the past it has been seen as a single issue, anti-European pressure group. But it's likely new leader Lord Pearson is keen to broaden its agenda to highlight public concern over immigration and Islamism. In the past its members have been smeared as 'fruitcakes and closet racists'. But it has never been a racist party and has always had a substantial ethnic minority membership. All the 'mainstream' parties have stated that the BNP is uniquely abhorrent because of the racial basis of its outlook. If any try to smear UKIP in future it will rebound on them.

"The BNP may get a short-term poll rise out of the publicity it has secured. But I am glad to say that, despite some financial woes, UKIP's long-term prospects are far rosier."

It would appear, despite the interjection by William Hague, that Tony Blair could be our **first president**, a position that would seem higher than that of our Queen, citizen Windsor. It seems rather than being an honourable, honest and high quality candidate the requirements needed for this top job are the ability to lie, deceive and be oblivious to the wishes of the people. He is admirably qualified. 'God save the People.'

How low can they stoop? Labour is to abolish the **BFPOs**, the British Forces Post Office, in Europe and America in an apparent attempt to cut defence costs. Due to happen next year, the cuts will have many effects for our military personnel and their families. Other than paying full costs of postage for letters and parcels, the loss could disenfranchise them if they are postal voters; C/card companies inc M & S will not send cards abroad but will to BFPOs; they would lose tax advantages e.g. ISAs, as they would have addresses abroad; if Open University students, they would have to pay international fees; they may not be eligible for student loans or fees, & be subject to higher overseas' fees; would have to pay international rates for magazine subscriptions etc. There is a well supported on-line petition against this. <http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/SaveBFPO>



## The Gawain Letter.

**Gawain Towler** is PPC for Dorset North, first reserve SWMEP candidate & London Press Officer for UKIP.



We have much work to do in the New Year. It will be an extremely important one and we will need as many helpers as possible to make UKIP's result in May outstanding in its successfulness. Please get behind your committee and see what you can do to help. Don't leave it to others – we are all just people with our own lives to lead.

Now a subject that is dear to my heart – Money! The branch is in great need of more funds. If we don't get them, then we cannot possibly make a good showing in the election. We need to purchase leaflets of a variety of types, we need to fund in far greater numbers than before the next issue of the UKIP Dorset News, as that is now becoming well read & anticipated, and a good & interesting way to put information across to the voters of Dorset. We also need to write to past enquirers to encourage them to join and to vote for us – even help. Clearly all this and the many other things that will arise with time take a lot of the folding stuff.

The best way to donate is to make a cheque made payable to 'UKIP Dorset North' and send it, strikes permitting, to your Chairman John Baxter. Separately if you can help in minimising the financial problems at Head Office – and we do desperately need a head office – please send a second cheque payable to 'UKIP' directly to them. £¼ of million is a heck of a lot of money to find, even with the help of our larger donors – after all there is a massive General Election campaign with 500c candidates to fund on top of that. Every penny will help – we can't just give in to the EU. They need £1.5million to make a real difference. Don't worry if you can only afford £10 – that's £10 off the total! Hopefully you will be able to find a bit more than that for this the best of causes.

I can't make it to the Bonfire evening but I hope you are able to support it. They are always great evenings, excellent value for an evening out with food and drink in abundance, and Susie's cooking...!, Steve is the man to meet. He is your connection to Head Office, and has made a great impact since he took over from Malcolm Wood.

May I wish you all an extremely indulgent Christmas Day with plenty of cheer and great things for the New Year.

*Gawain.*

### Links of the Month:

- Evidence of voting rigging in Ireland? Make your own mind up: <http://alturl.com/cioq>
- Want to cut the chancellor's salary? Sign the petition: <http://alturl.com/cp4y>
- Find all of Nigel Farage's recorded speeches: <http://www.youtube.com/user/europarl>
- A timely video from Guido? Have a look at it at: <http://www.ukip.tv/?p=803>

### What the media is saying:

- The *Times* reports that traffic will be banned from London's busiest streets on hot days to comply with European rules on air quality. The measures will be introduced to avoid a £300 million fine. [I've heard it all now! Ed]
- The *Times* also reported that Britain faces a return to 1970s-style power blackouts and disruption to its electricity supplies within four years, according to Ofgem. Ofgem also raised the spectre of a return to the three-day week for British industry as the country scrambles to renovate its ageing power infrastructure ahead of new EU pollution rules - including the so-called Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control Directive and Large Combustion Plant Directive - that will force the closure of a ¼ of UK power stations by 2015.
- *Welt* reports that Polish President Lech Kaczynski said his most important message, when signing the Lisbon Treaty, was that "the EU must not remain closed for those who want to enter: the Ukraine, Georgia, and possibly others. You must not take their hopes."
- The *Sunday Telegraph* noted that a new report from the office of Boris Johnson, Mayor of London, says that the status of London as a world financial capital will be undermined if new EU rules controlling UK hedge funds and private equity are introduced. The paper has launched a 'Ditch the Directive campaign', aimed at fundamentally changing the EU's draft Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive.
- The *Telegraph* states that the huge increases in migrants over the last decade were partly due to a politically motivated attempt by ministers to radically change the country and "rub the Right's nose in diversity", so says Andrew Neather, a former adviser to Tony Blair, Jack Straw and David Blunkett. He said Labour's relaxation of controls was a deliberate plan to "open up the UK to mass migration" but that ministers were nervous and reluctant to discuss such a move publicly for fear it would alienate its "core working class vote".
- In the *Mail*, Peter Osborne argued that those who backed Britain's membership of the euro in 1999 "owe the public a huge, collective apology." He noted that "Back then few commentators dared argue that the position adopted by this alliance of Tony Blair, Ken Clarke, Michael Heseltine and Charles Kennedy could be wrong" but that "The economic statistics reveal the stark truth. Since 2001, the British economy - even taking into account the past 12 months of financial crisis - has grown much faster than the eurozone countries and remained comparatively more stable than most."

As a result of the Treaties of Lisbon and Copenhagen we regret the passing of:

The UK, England, the Counties, Democracy, Freedom of Speech, Prosperity, The Pound, Our Future – RIP.

Before our busy diary of events we give you as promised the remainder of the comprehensive report on our recent conference.

## UKIP Annual National Conference held at Southport, Lancashire on the 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> September 2009.

A report of what was said and what was done. If you would like to see and hear the full speeches of many of our speakers please look at U-Tube. The relevant index page is: <http://alturl.com/942b> but first check <http://www.ukip.tv/>. This is the second and last report, featuring the second day of the conference. Day One was in our October issue. Some speeches were rather lengthy thus we have endeavoured to record for you most of what was said in abbreviated form.



'Teach' **Rachel Oxley**, [left] Party Vice Chairman, brought proceeding to order with the threat of detention for latecomers! Having UKIP MEPs was useful as they brought back lots of information. For the EU elections there had been no discussion on EU topics. We should give out facts & figures of EU membership in radio phone-ins etc. Re. schools, 1 size does not fit all. Teachers had to reprimand children with a second teacher present and not in front of other children, and those being expelled had to be consulted about it. UKIP education policy must bring out best in students with parents & staff working together to produce individual thought. International GCSEs higher than those in the UK – with no course work done by parents and teachers! Members should tell their workmates all about UKIP and our policies.

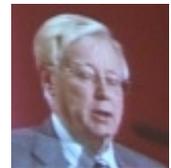
**David Campbell-Bannerman** MEP [Eastern] then chaired a policy overview. By January there would be 18 papers published in our website. He introduced **Mark Wadsworth** [Tax] [right]. Pensions would be simplified and have continuity. Aims: to alleviate poverty in old age; at a cost the country can afford; to provide a safety net – not a hammock! Current pensions reduced by private pensions. Policy to pay £130/wk [at current rate] for all. Current pensions operated by 18,000 civil servants. UKIP system easier thus less expensive. Public sector 25% of working population. Wages used to be less than private, 1/3 of cost of employment. Now £210 better off than Private sector with 40% taking pensions earlier. UKIP to encourage private pensions e.g. by giving tax breaks, to pay out £10,000 + relief. Re tax, Flat tax with no higher rate.



**Gerard Batten** MEP [London] [Immigration] gave brief summary: 600,000 in, 370,000 out = £230,000 in net = 1million in 5 yrs. The Lib/Lab/Con approve of high levels, with 157million people able to settle in the UK, even just 1% = 1.5 million on top of current levels. England, China, India & Japan are the most densely populated countries. Nat. Stats. say UK population will be 70million by 2031, and continue to rise. 1million illegal immigrants in UK now, many abusing asylum system. They are reducing wages and pushing up property prices & do not assimilate into society. Therefore there is a parallel society & legal systems, with the English set to become an ethnic minority in 2-3 generations. UKIP offers a clear commitment to end mass immigration, with a 5 yr freeze whilst the situation is controlled, then a net 50,000 per yr on a points system, cf Australia, New Zealand etc, issuing limited time work permits to those with proven required skills. Illegals would be sent home. We would withdraw from the 1951 European Convention on Human Rights, replace with new laws, enabling UK to expel undesirables. Banning Sharia Law, we would regain our borders and our national respect.



**Prof. Steven Bush** from Manchester Uni, [Jobs, Enterprise & Economy] said UKIP would create 1 million skilled jobs for UK to become producers; cut big business funding, encourage 120k sml businesses to export after period of design/research; create more suitable 3yr Uni courses committed to a job/profession; abolish EU/Labour politically correct regs. which hamper sml businesses; create a fair reward system with profit sharing for those employed 1yr plus; support long term [10yr] business projects inc. mining, construction, farming; re-equip the military over 10yr period; construct over 25yrs nuclear power stations with latest technology to produce 2/3 of requirements, costing 1/2 of Tory/Lab options; re-establish British car manufacturing of electric vehicles; over 30 yrs improve road/rail transport links; finally encourage off-site manufacture of plant & encourage exports.



**Stuart Agnew** MEP Eastern [food, farming & countryside] said that CAP had changed over 10 yrs, & WTO membership forced changes upon us, restricting our agricultural reform esp of imports e.g. GM, cages, tethers etc. Single Farm Payments to be reviewed in 2013. Nitrate Vulnerable Zones [controlling Nitrate levels in the soil/watercourses etc] under EU = 50 mg/litre, UKIP to revert to 100mg/litre; allow fallen stock to be buried on the farm; reinstate many pesticides; remove working time directive from farms; remove IPPC EU directive on poultry/pig waste; extend period of introduction of cage ban on egg producers; remove unnecessary & flawed Sheep ID tags [GPS]; tighten regs on imported foods cf. Australian system; current cost of unworkable TB regs – reform; allow proper trials on GM foods, as most imports may be GM, % undeclared – insist on correct labelling. Land Use: Use farms for food production, not set aside; organic ok; RSPB etc to fund their-own ideas; investigate supermarket food costs for fairness; allow bigger co-ops to compete with supermarkets; hunting with dogs bans should be decided locally.



This was followed by a parade by some of our MEPs. **Marta Andreassen** [South East] unfortunately was not present, but we saw **Mike Nattrass** [West Midlands] [left], also the PPC for South Staffs, who poured scorn on MPs salaries doubling yet workloads were dropping by 70% - perhaps allow the increase if they get the UK out of the EU! Educate reporters that Westminster laws are made in the EU.



Our very own **William Dartmouth** spoke very eloquently, advertising the South West, and attributed the MEPs success to Nigel Farage's inspirational leadership, and the Biggest Message in politics – that Britain would be better off out of the EU & safer with our own control of our borders. UKIP's continued rise follows the 'Tomato Ketchup Syndrome' – First nothing, then nothing, then the Lot! Will the UK leave the EU? 'Yes we will! It is inevitable.'



We had fighting talk from **Derek Clarke** [East Midlands]. Question to a Derby pension soc. members: 'What would the candidates rate the greatest achievement of the EU?' 'To persuade millions over Europe that the EU is the greatest thing.' 'Nothing of the sort' says Derek, urging us to stand up for what we believe. Incite rebellion, encourage Europe wide resistance to get EU to tumble down. Never have 2 democracies gone to war. We are not enemies of Europe – if we influence other countries we will 'seem the best Europeans of all.'



UKIP General Secretary **Jonathan Arnott** [PPC Sheffield South] took the podium saying we are the underdog that succeeds. We have a country to fight for, we need more activists. He cited the Common Fishing Policy causing fish n' chips to double in cost. Back the membership drive; we will revise the 12 pg booklet. To YI, make hallmark quality – professionalism – drive. G. Brown leads to failure but needs a chainsaw to get him out of No.10. He thought N.F. would make a better speaker than Bercow! Nigel's standing down was the end of an era. We should not cf the new elected leader to N.F. & we must become more united a party. Our aims should to leave the EU, but also offer full program for after leaving.' Freedom fr. EU, high tax, state interference; Independence fr. EU for Police, Schools etc; Democracy – the proper binding referenda not EU style. No revote if 'wrong' first time., Things people consider when voting: Jobs- Pensions- Education –business growth.



Cllr **Steve Allison** [left] ran a pre-conference training session for 140 PPCs. In charge of elections he pointed out that as well as GE next yr there would be some local council elections – we should fight all. This would make it easier to be successful in the GE. The EU factors in 50% of local gov'n't. e.g. down to grass cutting and doctored bins.

There followed a lively and extensive **Question & Answer** session. Those taking part: David Campbell Bannerman [DCM], Prof Christopher Gill [CG] [right], Steve Allison [SA], & Jonathan Arnott [JA]. In brief:



**Q: Will conference support a less comfortable lifestyle for prison inmates?**

DCM: Too many rights of prisoners, too many groups to help them. So Yes.

**Q: If there is no referendum, does that mean the end of UKIP**

DCM/CG/SA/JA: No!

**Q: Should immigrants be verified by British Embassies in country of origin?**

DCM: 90-95% of bogus applicants disappear. We would triple boarder staff [9 to 27K]. Assess in country of origin first.

CG: UK a soft touch. V. Liberal views in Westminster. A strong line is needed.

**Q: What is UKIP policy on the NHS?**

DCB: Detailed policy to follow in January. Committed to maintain the NHS; instigate a big debate; Keep the best, reform the rest; involve local discussion.

SA: Advise UKIP members to become members of NHS trusts. They are free & cannot refuse you. Need 20-30 members to influence policy.

CG: To follow policy of small government interference. Indian Railways and Chinese Army are only two bigger employers in the world larger than the NHS.

**Q: Would UKIP dump the red EU passport & to reinstate the British blue one?** DCM/CG/SA/JA: Yes!

**Q: How can UKIP help the Irish 'No' campaign re. Treaty of Lisbon?**

DCM: NF has assisted in capacity of IndDem group to produce a leaflet sent to every Irish household. Betting odds improving in favour of 'No' vote.

JA: The group's funding can be used to fund 'no' vote.

CG: If a 'yes' vote the Tories would be wrong footed so UKIP would be only alternative to the LIB/Lab/Con.

**Q: Will VAT be abolished when out of EU?**

DCM: VAT is EU tax, causing loss of output. Would replace with a local Sales tax with, say, 5-17% going to local councils. Would also abolish Inheritance tax when able to do so.

JA: VAT is a bureaucratic tax not consistent with small government. It is paid & rebated usually 5 times before the items reach the shops.

**Q: Should we leave the EU?** A. Everyone present: YES!!!

**Q: The £ symbol of UKIP is also symbol of the 'Save the £ Party'. Should the UKIP change?**

To cries of 'no', DCB: No, the £ sign stands out very clearly on voting forms – it is a v. strong brand.

JA: Might have been possible 10 yrs ago. It would be confusing to change it or our colours now. Could be dangerous – remember 'Consignia!'

SA: People now recognise the brand. Hartlepool pd £150K to refresh local insignia - changed text to italic!

CG: A consistent and strong brand image - would be madness to change.

**Q: I am a 14 yr old boy – why have I had my fingerprints taken to get school meals?**

DCB: Awful! C/F the Stasi in Germany. We do not like State being out of control. We need to put it in its place.

SA: Also applies to libraries. Supplied software to list books includes it.

JA: Database & ID cards are dangerous. Gives false legitimacy – organisations etc will believe the database even when it has been compromised

SA: Electoral registration controlled by local council. Common format next year will give the info to government, inc. NI no & D.o.B & be compulsory [by June/July 2010].

**Q: Will UKIP have a disabled policy?**

DCB: Not groups or quotas but provide extra services for the disabled. Targeted welfare.

JA: Not patronising or PC. Provide genuine help to let them get on with their lives. Quoted £3/4b spent on trams in Sheffield – caused major disruption to businesses who never recovered. Wrong to blame the disabled. Get shot of PC.

**Q: How will UKIP reform local government?**

CG: Used to be better. Cause & effect. Govn't. took away 'Authority', imposed 'responsibilities'. Whitehall has the real power.

SA: The Cabinet system disempowers the councillors.

After this lengthy Q & A session the **lunch** break was made busy by a fringe meeting of the Christian Soldiers in UKIP and a SW reception hosted by William Dartmouth. The afternoon resumed with the discussion of **3 branch motions**.

W. London encouraged members to withhold their TV licence fees, to place them in a holding acc. until the BBC adheres to its charter & acknowledge UKIP as 4<sup>th</sup> party at the General Election next year. This was substantially defeated.

Redbridge & Waltham Forest wanted UKIP to adopt a policy of calling for electoral reform to lead to some form of Proportional Representation in parliamentary & local elections. This was also substantially defeated.

Lincoln Borough proposed to abolish the Smoke Free quangos in the NHS which costs £millions/annum, due to poor state of the economy, thus cutting public sector costs. This was carried with a very large majority.

After this **party medal winners** were presented their awards. 15 in total. There were 2 in the South West. Iris Binstead for the production of the SOS newsletter, & Kenneth Guildthorne for work in Tiverton. Well done to all. Additionally 9 yr old Jasmine Reeve was rewarded for her sales of raffle tickets at conference over 2 full and busy days and evenings during which time she raised in excess of £1,000.

The medals duly presented, **Nigel Farage** once again addressed the conference receiving a standing ovation. Regrettably we are only able to report on part of what he said as notes being saved electronically failed.

Nigel Farage started by recalling the beginning of UKIP, founded on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 1993 from the Anti-federalist League and other small eurosceptic organisations. Due to the death of Stephen Milligan in 'extraordinary circumstances [!]' NF stood as UKIP's first candidate, in Eastleigh, and achieved 952 votes, beating Screaming Lord Sutch by 48 votes! NF had a Landrover with loud speakers on it & harangued the people of Eastleigh with it. Compare that result with this year's EU Parliamentary vote, when we came 2<sup>nd</sup> nationally. This is unprecedented in British Politics – something to be proud off.

NF is handing over the party at a time when it has never been better, more united, and in ruder health than ever. His workload is now too big for one person. The Buckingham campaign is getting off to a good start with 2 positive comments in the Mail, although Simon Heffer of the Telegraph describing NF standing against J Bercow as 'sublime', maybe going a little too far! Even 'Conservative Home' [a Tory website] held a poll in which NF polled 65% against JB.

There is an enormous job ahead. We must choose target seats to get the all important Westminster seats, with all our resources being channelled towards them.

On 26<sup>th</sup> September the Buckingham campaign will start with the entire constituency being visited by helpers on that one day. Yesterdays promise of visiting and campaigning in every pub will also be achieved – Godfrey Bloom has promised to help with that! They must create a big bang. Paul Nuttall achieved 38% in the local elections in Bootle, so this also would clearly be a target seat.

NF started to talk of the Irish Referendum, saying he could not predict the result of the Referendum. Unfortunately the camera ceased to operate at that moment and thus we have no record of the completion of this speech, for which we apologise.

Just a few minutes later, to a massive standing ovation NF left the stage for the last time as Party Leader and the Mini Prom started, ending in correct manner with the National Anthem. The successful 2009 Conference had come to an end.



## FOR YOUR DIARY

Do you need transport to get to a meeting? Or can you provide transport to a meeting? Please contact John Baxter a.s.a.p. so he can liaise. Especially needed for the First-Thursday meetings and the Bonfire evening.

### FRIDAY 30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER @ 8pm & SATURDAY 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER @ 1.10pm

Marta Andreasen MEP will be appearing on BBC Radio 4's "Any Questions" programme which is repeated on the following Saturday lunchtime, followed by "Any Answers?" – your chance to put in your ha'penny worth.

### WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 @ 7.30 to 10pm – LEADERSHIP HUSTINGS part 1 [Part 2 see 16<sup>th</sup> Nov.]

Four of the Five candidates vying to be Leader of the UK Independence Party will be presenting themselves to South West members at a special Hustings at Exeter Racecourse, Kennford, EX6 7XS on Wednesday 4 November, 7.30–10.00pm. If you'd like to attend, please would you let Steve Crowther know, so we have some idea of numbers? [sjcrowther@btinternet.com](mailto:sjcrowther@btinternet.com) or 01271 813844.

### THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 @ 7.30pm onwards – FIRST-THURSDAY MEETING:

Dorset Branch Library and minishop available at this meeting. Our FIRST-THURSDAY evening get-together at the **Charlton Inn, Bournemouth Road, Charlton Marshall, DT11 9NH**. Our regular informal evening of food, drink and chat. Do one or all three! Call John Baxter for further details if needed on 01202 897884. All are welcome – members, their guests, prospective members or the just curious! Joint event with other local branches. On this occasion Bournemouth West will be holding a committee meeting. But don't let that put you off coming.



### SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 – ANNUAL BONFIRE EVENING AT GREENACRES, LONGHAM @ 6.30pm:



Our annual fireworkless bonfire evening with loads of very suitable food and drink. Mulled wine, wine & soft drinks included & a nice big bonfire to assist in the removal of further EU notables! Raffle. A charge of £7.50 per person all inclusive towards our target of £1,000 for election funds. Please book through John Baxter on 01202 897884/by email [as below] to establish numbers. Guest Speaker: Assistant to Trevor Coleman, Steve Crowther.

### SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 @ 11am – REMEMBERANCE SUNDAY at a Cenotaph near you.

### SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 – Carrington House Hotel, 31 Knyveton Rd, Bournemouth, BH1 3QQ – 10am – 5pm



One day **Training Day for ALL 30+ PPCs, their agents, and activists** in the South West, covering UKIP policies and procedures. Run by Steve Allison, top UKIP names also inc. David Campbell Bannerman & his policy team, & Norman Mackel speech & media training. Will include morning coffee, lunch, and tea. Cost is a modest £35 per delegate. The information presented will be essential for the smooth running and success of campaigns up to the General Election. **To book**, send a cheque made payable to 'Christchurch Branch UKIP' & send to Pam McAlester, 37 Halebrose Court, 10 Seafield Road, Bournemouth, BH6 3DU. Please also inform **your** branch chairman if you are attending this essential seminar. If postal strike affects deliveries contact Pam directly on 01202 420134 to hold your place.

### MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 @ 7pm – LEADERSHIP HUSTINGS part 2

Mike Nattrass is unable to attend on 4 Nov. & will hold a separate Hustings meeting at the Best Western Hotel, Tiverton.

### THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER 2009 @ 7.30pm onwards – FIRST-THURSDAY MEETING:

Dorset Branch Library and minishop available at this meeting. Our FIRST-THURSDAY evening get-together at the **Charlton Inn, Bournemouth Road, Charlton Marshall, DT11 9NH**. Our regular informal evening. See above.



### FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2009 – ALL DAY!:

May we wish our readers an extremely Merry Christmas! Time to put your feet up by the fire, a glass in hand, with family.

### FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> JANUARY – ALL DAY:

New Year Day – Turn over a new leaf – Help you branch 10-fold up to the elections! Also write them a cheque today!

### THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010 @ 7.30pm onwards – FIRST THURSDAY MEETING:

Dorset Branch Library and minishop available at this meeting. The first FIRST-THURSDAY evening get-together of the year at the **Charlton Inn, Bournemouth Road, Charlton Marshall, DT11 9NH**. Our regular informal evening of food, drink and chat. Do one or all three! Call John Baxter for further details if needed on 01202 897884. All are welcome – members, their guests, prospective members or the just curious! Joint event with other local branches.



**Other Regular UKIP Events in Neighbouring Constituencies:**

**WELLS BRANCH**

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 at [gb.thomas@ukonline.co.uk](mailto:gb.thomas@ukonline.co.uk)

**SALISBURY BRANCH**

On the **4th Thursday of the month** [excluding August & December], at 12.30 UKIP **Salisbury** branch have a lunchtime social at the Green Dragon, Old Road, Alderbury, Salisbury, SP5 2AR. Ring Margaret Strange on 01980 623907 for details. The Green Dragon may originally in part be the Blue Dragon in Charles Dickens's 'Martin Chuzzlewit.' [www.ukipsalisbury.org](http://www.ukipsalisbury.org)



or email [jharvey1917@btinternet.com](mailto:jharvey1917@btinternet.com)

**EAST DEVON BRANCH**

Come and have lunch in **East Devon** on the **first Tuesday of every month** at the Maltsters' Arms, Woodbury, Devon. EX5 1LN.



NB November 10<sup>th</sup> this month.

Telephone John Kelly on 01395 276130.

**Perhaps even get to meet the legendary John Kelly!**

**EXETER BRANCH**

Pub evening 1st Tuesday of the month.  
Ralph Gay 01392 679187

**NEW - Cheltenham Coffee Morning**

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month

Alan Stone 01242 515439

**NEW - Chippenham & N Wilts pub night**

1st Wednesday of the month

Lysley Arms, Pewsham SN15 3RU 7pm

**Helpful contact information:**

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<http://www.westbournemouthukip.com/main.htm>

Gawain Towler's Personal Website: <http://englandexpects.blogspot.com/>

Gawain Towler's Campaign Group. <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=8375308818&ref=mf>

Gawain Towler's Personal Email Address: [gawain@ukipdorsetnorth.org.uk](mailto:gawain@ukipdorsetnorth.org.uk)

NEW: William Dartmouth MEP's Website: <http://www.williamdartmouth.com>

Trevor Coleman MEP's Website: please follow the link on: [www.ukip.org](http://www.ukip.org)

Between 16 & 35? UKIP Youth Email: [lisa.duffy2@tesco.net](mailto:lisa.duffy2@tesco.net) and website <http://www.youngindependence.org/>

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**To all Our Readers and especially Our Members  
May We wish You a Super Christmas  
and a really Special New Year,  
from your Committee  
Betty, Charles, David and John.**