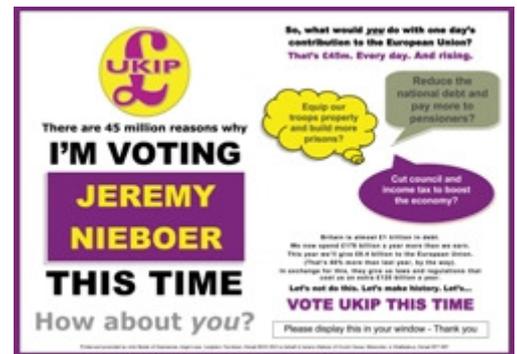


We are just a few days from what will no doubt prove to be the most important General Election for nearly 100 years. As usual, and perhaps more obvious than ever to thinking people, the Lib/Lab/Con offer nothing refreshingly new or sufficiently effective to get us out of the dire state that New Labour along with the EU Commissioners have collectively got us into. With unprecedented state borrowings, rivalling Greece's dismal performance, this country is rapidly falling apart in every possible way. We are in danger of disappearing altogether as a country.

In reality the forthcoming election could be our last chance to extricate ourselves from this mess and regain our sovereignty, dignity and control of our own destiny. But will it happen? The combined effects of biased and disdainful reporting, indoctrination, an almost total blackout of any mention of policies in the media and blind adherence to the traditional parties will make it almost certain not to happen.

That said we in the SW and no doubt in other 'regions' are all fighting hard, raising our profile greatly, and managing to get our policies out to those capable of understanding them. When this happens then we win votes as the penny drops with a resounding clatter. There is life after Brown – and outside of the EU – just ask the Swiss and Norwegians. Not an easy path to follow but an accessible one.

On May the 8th we may be faced with a hung parliament. This may work – at least for a while. Sooner or later there will be another election, whether 6 months or 5 years down the line. This will be our chance to build on the success of this election and spring a bevy of fresh new eurosceptic blood into Westminster. Proportional Representation may boost our chances, something that the LibDems may insist on as reward for cooperating with another party. We hope this would happen before we get sucked into the failing Euro, and before all other surviving aspects of government have been handed to the unelected, undemocratic and uncaring EU.



Here in Dorset North we are fighting a strong fight. We are **up against** an established Tory who has strong EU credentials but with a fading following; a LibDem who almost exclusively pushes local issues; a Labour teacher who speaks well enough but has to promote stale and failing Labour/EU policies; a pleasant Green who is bravely hanging on to the increasingly dodgy dossier that is Global Warming and Climate Change. We also have the chance to vote for a Monster Raving Loony William Hill party candidate, who appears not to have any loony policies at all, being very serious. So if you were hoping for free ice lollies on days above 65 degrees you will be sorely disappointed and could not possibly give him your vote!

There remains just one candidate that is fighting your corner. Jeremy Nieboer, the candidate for Dorset North. He has generously funded much of **the campaign** and we outline most of it here. He has provided a vast number of posters, many of which you must have seen all over Dorset North, and also a leaflet which detailed many of the UKIP aims and policies. Unfortunately, as many of you will know, the majority of these 45,000 leaflets appear to have disappeared in the hands of a delivery company, whether as deliberate political sabotage or incompetence of ill-trained and unsupervised delivery staff we may never know. Undaunted Jeremy then produced the ultimate 4-sided Election Address which went out early to great acclaim. The effect of the two leaflets would have been very strong. Jeremy has also busied himself by visiting people all over the large constituency, with a highly conspicuous and large 4-sided wooden poster on the roof of his Landrover! A second one was provided for his agent but mechanical problems reduced the time that one was displayed on roads!

Additionally a large number of people have immersed from within and without the branch and carried out leafleting in most corners of the constituency. For this we are very grateful as it very effective and targeted directly into voters home. We will thank these people more comprehensibly next month. Similarly we thank the branch donors who managed to pay for the Electoral Address, Corex boards and issue 5 of the Dorset UKIP News. The latter morphed into the updated South West UKIP News issue 1, which was produced by

the South West office in vast numbers [½ a million copies] and the branch managed to deliver 5,000 of these on top of 10,000 Dorset News.



A final tool was a series of six public meetings arranged over the constituency. Three, to be fair, were arranged by local church groups. The photo shows a white-shirted Rev Storey with all the candidates except the Monster Raving Loony after the forum in St Peter & St Pauls Church in Blandford on the 26th April. A crowd of nearly 200 heard all speakers despite mic problems, and Jeremy was almost mobbed at the end. Two days later a much smaller UKIP-own evening was held in Jeremy's home village of Motcombe and the select and perfectly formed audience asked many pertinent questions.

Whilst this newsletter is winging its way to you a third was held in Shaftesbury Town Hall with the other party candidates. This was a Church organised event as was the meeting in the picturesque St James Church in Alderholt. We hope some of you managed to get to these and cheered Jeremy on!

To wrap up the **meetings** there are still two to be held. The first is on Monday 3rd May in Sturminster Newton Town Council Chamber at 7pm. The second and final one is on the following night in the Hub in Verwood at the same time. It is important we see **you** all there as these are UKIP organised events and a big turnout would make a good impression to the non members who might be there.

Jeremy has also had several interviews, & made short films which can be seen on YouTube, UKIPTV and on the Wink Ball website. He also appeared very successfully on the Politics Show from Bristol on Sunday 25th April.

One man could do no more to represent you so we are hopeful of an encouraging result at 3.30am on Friday May 7th. We wish him well and thank him for his considerable efforts in the short time he has been campaigning as our Parliamentary Candidate.

It is the season of **Annual General Meetings**. The AGM will an important one this year. We must stress that we need a full committee to run the association otherwise it may have to fold or amalgamate with another. Two on the list are not in a position to be hands on, for differing reasons. Other than your Chairman Charles Upton is the only full committee member. Your chairman is tiring and needs to take a smaller role, having neglected other interests for too long. Thus we need committee members in all positions except Treasurer. The 'retiring' chairman will be around to help anyone to settle into their new role. One requirement for easy running is that applicants should be computer literate, as there is much communication with Head Office, other committee members and other branches, not to mention records that need to be kept. If you can help please find a proposer/seconder from amongst the members of Dorset North [ask JLB if any difficulty in this] and let the Chairman know in writing at least one week prior to the AGM. An official notification accompanies this newsletter. Official nomination forms are available from JLB.

Links of the Month:

The UKIP Election Manifesto has been published. Read the full version or download it here: <http://alturl.com/s79u> If you would prefer a short and to the point version download it here: <http://alturl.com/rimt> Links to other new policies on Animal Welfare, the Post Office, Pubs and Small Businesses: <http://alturl.com/k945> .Review the Party Political Broadcast: <http://www.ukipsw.org/> and on the same page view Farage v Paxman; Pat Condell; Steve Crowther.

A message from Jeremy Nieboer, our Parliamentary Candidate:

I appeared on the Politics Show last Sunday on BBC 1 West. Many of you will recall that an attempt was made to discredit Lord Pearson in a recent BBC interview by asking him if he had talked to retired policemen to see if they wanted to be wardens of public places. Such a comment shows how shallow and vindictive the attacks on UKIP have become. Would Mr Brown have been asked if he had talked to unemployed people in Sunderland if they would like to work for an increased minimum wage? All that the Manifesto is suggesting is that the opportunity to use their lifetime experience is offered to retired police officers to continue their public service.



I was asked if I could defend a statement in the Manifesto that UKIP would cut NHS spending by a third. I could not recall any such statement. However I did not want to become tangled up in an examination test on

the Manifesto and responded by asserting that any politician that talks of sparing the NHS the cuts that have to come is deceiving the voters. However no such statement is contained in the Manifesto - all that is said is the waste and bureaucracy will be cut. The presenter well knew what he was saying was false since, on his own account, he had spent the week end studying the Manifesto. It was also not a case of poor recollection as he was reading from his own detailed notes and pressed the question twice.

It is however a sign that we are becoming of national media interest that we should be faced with such unworthy attempts to discredit what is now the fourth party of the country. I am finding a deep well of support for our cause as I go round the Constituency. We know that if we have a hung parliament then the strong likelihood is that Mr Clegg will be able to require that proportional representation becomes our voting system. In such a case UKIP are likely to poll heavily and take a number of seats at the next General Election after this one - which cannot be long delayed. Mr Cameron will then have to talk to UKIP - grinding his teeth as he may.

We are on the final stage of a decisive General Election. We need to make the greatest possible effort to ensure that we mark our success in last year's Euro poll with a decisive impact in this Westminster election. Please help by coming to our meetings in Sturminster Newton, Verwood, Alderholt and Shaftesbury and above all vote on May 6. Thank you for all your support and good cheer! Jeremy.

A very limited 'what the media is saying':

- In this time of serious job cuts etc, the *Tax Payers Alliance* reports that a new glut of government positions is being advertised on the Guardian website. It lists 384 public sector jobs of which few relate to practical frontline service delivery and so very many are concerned with short-lived initiatives and constructing PR veneers to present to the taxpaying public. So it is business as usual in the public sector.

OBITUARY

- We regret to report the death of Mr Clive Brickell of Blandford Forum. A long standing member, Clive was a keen candidate for UKIP in the May 2007 District Council elections in the Blandford Station ward where he finished in second place with a very creditable 14%. A memorial service took place on the 15th March at the Blandford Forum Parish Church. As Clive lived alone we offer our condolences to any family he had.
- As reported in the media we note the passing of the North Yorkshire constituency Thirsk and Malton UKIP candidate, Mr John Boakes. Mr Boakes, in his 60s, is believed to have died of a heart attack. Lord Pearson said "This is clearly very sad news and our thoughts are with John's family. He was very dedicated to his country and will be greatly missed by all his friends in UKIP."

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.

FRIDAY 30th APRIL 2010 – 8pm – OPEN PUBLIC MEETING in ALDERHOLT:

An open forum with the candidates or representatives of other parties at St James's Church in Daggons Road, Alderholt SP6 3DN. Robert Walter & Emily Gasson will be there + possibly the other candidates for Dorset North. Come and support Jeremy and applaud Jeremy's every word!!



MONDAY 3rd MAY 2010 – 7pm – OPEN PUBLIC MEETING in STURMINSTER NEWTON:

Jeremy will be speaking on 'Why UKIP' and responding to your questions in the Chamber, Sturminster Newton Town Council buildings, Old Market Hill, Sturminster Newton, DT10 1QU. This is a UKIP organised meeting so please support Jeremy as there will be no other candidates present.

TUESDAY 4th MAY 2010 @7pm – OPEN PUBLIC MEETING in VERWOOD:

Jeremy will be speaking on 'Why UKIP' and responding to your questions in the HUB, Brock Way, Verwood, BH31 6WW. This is a UKIP organised meeting so please support Jeremy as there will be no other candidates present. This is the last of the series of meetings arranged to introduce Jeremy to You and the General Public. Do please attend and help swell the crowd.



THURSDAY 6th MAY 2010 – 7am to 10pm – GENERAL ELECTION:[First-Thursday see 13th May]

At 1 of 87 North Dorset polling booths near you! Make sure all your friends are voting – give them a lift to make sure! Dorset North is expected to be declared, barring recounts, at around 3.30 – 4.00am. Jeremy has put an enormous effort in this election – help to make sure it was worth it! The tide is turning. We must knock Labour out of the running in Dorset North.



THURSDAY 13th MAY 2010 @ 7.30pm onwards – FIRST-THURSDAY MEETING:

Postponed from the 6th May this will be the first First-Thursday meeting after the General Election. Come and help either drown our sorrows or more likely celebrate a memorable result and our first MP in Westminister! Dorset Branch Library and minishop available at this meeting. 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 897 884. All are welcome



– members, their guests, UKIP MPs, prospective members or the just curious! Joint event with other local branches.

SATURDAY 22nd MAY 2010 @ 10.45am – PIMPERNE VILLAGE HALL – Annual General Meeting:

The Dorset North AGM will be held once again in conjunction with the Bournemouth West Association AGM. We have as usual to approve our accounts, elect committees [and there will be some change!] and chew over the unprecedented successes of the General Election! Steve Crowther will be speaker of the day and of course UKIP merchandise, branch library and the super catering we have come to expect will all be available! Please do come and see us – it should not be a stuffy, boring meeting! Come, have a morning out with free coffee and cakes! More info if needed from John Baxter or Rod Trelease. Doors open for helpers 9.15am & 10am to all.



THURSDAY 3rd JUNE 2010 @ 7.30pm onwards – FIRST-THURSDAY MEETING:

Dorset Branch Library and minishop available at this meeting. 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 897 884. All are welcome – members, their guests, prospective members or the just curious! Joint event with other local branches



THURSDAY 2nd to 4th SEPTEMBER 2010 – UKIP ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

The UKIP annual conference will be held at the Riviera International Conference Centre in Torquay. The conference will be held from Thursday, September 2nd to Saturday September 4th. Further details to be announced. There is unlikely to be a major report in our newsletter this time so you will have to go yourself!



Other Regular UKIP Events in Neighbouring Constituencies:

WELLS BRANCH

Wells Constituency Association meets regularly on the evening of the **last Monday of every month** in the downstairs room at the back of The Kings Head, 36 High Street, **Wells**, Somerset, BA5 2SG.

Contact Wyn Thomas at gbthomas@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

or email jharvey1917@btinternet.com

EAST DEVON BRANCH



Come and have lunch in **East Devon** on the **first Tuesday of every month** at the White Hart Inn, Church Street, Woodbury, Devon, EX5 1HN.

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

Cheltenham Coffee Morning

2nd Saturday of the month
Alan Stone 01242 515439

Chippenham & N Wilts Pub night

1st Wednesday of the month
Lysley Arms, Pewsham SN15 3RU 7pm

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

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