



South Central News

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The newsletter from your South Central Regional Executive

December 2012

VICTORY!



Winning candidate, Faith Ponsonby, front left, with some of the winning Havant team

On 15 November, Cllr Faith Ponsonby won her seat back with a majority of 264 in Battins ward on Havant BC.

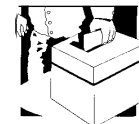
With help from across Hants and telephone canvassing from various in Oxfordshire, we gained a 17.7% swing from Lab to us and the Tories had a black day too.

A big THANK YOU from Region to our Police and Crime Commissioner candidates, **David Goodall** and **John Howson** who gave it their best shot and worked so hard in difficult circumstances.



*Campaign Officer
Tim Bearder*

By-election Corner



Key Double By-Election Thursday, 6 December Sunningwell & Wootton ward

Reason for by-elections: Tory resignation in one case and non-attendance in the other
Candidates: Elizabeth Miles and Val Shaw
Contact for helpers: Campaign Manager **Neil Fawcett** on neilmfawcett@gmail.com or ring **07810 482376**.

Oxford West & Abingdon Lib Dems face a double by-election in a marginal ward they lost by only 148 votes in May 2011.

This will be the first by-election since OxWAb was designated a Strategic Seat and they are determined to win both seats back from the Tories!

- Telephone canvassing via Connect; help given to members to get started.

With your help we beat the Tories in October in Maidenhead, stopped Labour in Havant in November so please help stop the Tories in December!

South Central Web Site

Don't forget to visit the Regional website. You can click to receive regular up-dates. Also visit the Events section to see what is going on in your area.

- <http://southcentrallibdems.org.uk/en/>

◀ Region welcomes Tim Bearder as our new part time Campaigns Officer.

He has just started and is currently helping in a by-election. Full details of his role will be provided shortly.

New Party Magazine

AD LIB is the brand new monthly magazine for Liberal Democrats. Full of the news, views, politics, policy, humour and gossip you don't get in the mainstream media. It replaces Lib Dem News.

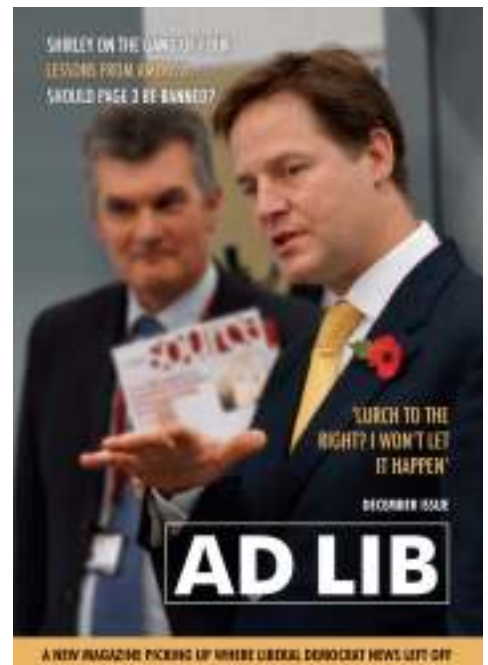
The Liberal Democrats are a family. We share deeply held convictions on life, liberty and society, and we love nothing more than to argue politics and policy long into the night. But we are more than just like-minded individuals. We campaign together, help each other and socialise together. We respect each other and we tease each other. We share wisdom and we make mischief. AD LIB aims to reflect all that in words and pictures.

The first edition is out on December 3rd.

SPECIAL INTRODUCTORY RATE

- Party members can get 12 editions for the special rate of £35.
- Non-party members can get 12 editions for £50.

To subscribe to the new magazine EITHER go to <http://libdems.org.uk/adlibmag.aspx> OR write to: AD LIB subscriptions, LDHQ, 8-10 Great George Street, London SW1P 3AE OR call 020 7227 1327.



2013 South Central Conferences

- ◆ Spring Regional Conference is on **23 February** at The Oakwood Centre, Headley Road, Woodley, Reading, RG5 4JZ. **BOOKING FORM INCLUDED WITH THIS MAILING** - why not book now?
- ◆ Autumn Regional Conference is on **26 October** at Cressex Community School, High Wycombe, Bucks HP12 4PZ - pop it in your diary today.

1st PPC Selected



The first Prospective Parliamentary Candidate (PPC) in South Central to be selected to stand at the next General Election is **Judith Bunting**. She has been selected for **Newbury**.

If your Local Party would like to start selecting a PPC contact Rosalyn Gordon (contact details right).

Diary Dates



Tell Region your forthcoming events by contacting the Regional Office (see right for contact details).

Don't forget to put your event on Flock Together as that information goes onto Party web sites too.

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