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## Meeting

Mondays 6:00pm for 6:30pm  
Basscare Centre,  
2 Rochester Rd, Canterbury  
*Unless otherwise stated in Diary*

## Register for Meeting

Guests and Club Members can  
Register on the following links  
[Register for Meeting](#)  
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## Apologies

[Notify Meeting Apology](#)

*\*prior to 10AM Monday*

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*Advise Mal of a long absence*

## The Rotary Radio Show

Fridays 6pm to 8pm

**3WBC  
94.1 FM**

## The Aussie Pride Badge



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## President's Message

Last Monday evening we heard from Dr Nataša Kampmark who informed us about the extent of Australian Studies being taught in European Universities. There are several universities that have specific Australian Studies Centres and Nataša chose three contrasting ones to highlight.



*Nataša Kampmark*

The largest is the [Menzies Centre for Australian Studies at King's College London](#) which is very well funded by the Australian and British Governments and various other organisations. It concentrates on film, literature and history in Australia.

In Hungary there is the [Australian Studies Centre of the University of Debrecen](#) which is part of their Institute of English and American Studies. This Centre was launched in 1991, initially with resource assistance from the Menzies Centre. It concentrates on Australian literature from colonial times through the 1800s to the 1900s with the study of the social and political history of those periods. They also study Australian films with subjects like 'Australian and American Frontier Films'.

In Spain the University of Barcelona has the [Observatory: The Australian Studies Centre](#). This Centre started life in 1990 as an Australian Studies Program within the English Department. Gradually it gained a reputation and was given a Centre status in 2007. It focuses on understanding many different aspects of Australian culture including the interchange of knowledge with other institutions. It also works with the Australia Spain Business Association and the Australian Council for the Arts Studio in Barcelona.

Most Universities have Australian courses as part of the study of English speaking countries. The students tends to have a greater understanding of matters relating to the U.S.A. and U.K. so the discovery of the history, culture, literature and films of Australia is most enlightening. Students from European Countries are also interested in the experiences of their nationals in Australia.

It was a surprise to me that there was so much interest in Australia within Europe that formal studies were provided on most aspects of Australian life and history. Nataša informed us that there was even associations of Universities that meet to share ideas and teaching curriculums. The European Society for Australian Studies is one of these. Although Nataša did her degrees in Serbia and was raised in that region, she demonstrated a very broad knowledge about Australia that I suspect was greater than most members, particularly myself.

Our Club will be having two FORaMeal packing evenings during May on the 12th and the 25th .  
Doug

## Speaker and Activities Program

### 30th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Canterbury Celebration

Sunday April 30  
Monday May 1  
Monday May 8  
Monday May 15

No meeting

Speakers: Rosemary Waghorne and Greg Vero, **"Members Behind the Badge"**

Speaker: Hope Aban, **"How an Australian Filipino family creates education opportunities in their home province"**

## Sunday Market 7am – 1pm

April 30 - Brian Bloomer, Steve Wylie, Chris James/Kathleen Stapleton  
May 7 - Jenni Nankervis, Val Cuniffe, Rosemary Waghorne/Ted Waghorne  
May 14 - Max Holland, Rob Simpson, Kyle Wightman

**Contact Tony Simpson for all roster changes and requests, Home 9417 3995, Mob 0488 380 899**  
**Please be on time as if you are late, our Club pays \$50 penalty for each half hour or part thereof.**