



Canterbury Tales

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Meeting

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

Register for Meeting

Guests and Club Members can
Register on the following links

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Apologies

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**prior to 10AM Monday*

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Advise Russell of a long absence

The Rotary Radio Show

Jenny Coburn and

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3WBC

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President's Message



Nick Pane

Great lessons about creating wealth from property by our guest speaker, Nick Pane, at our last club dinner. Our home is usually our greatest asset, so we received many good tips on how to maintain this asset and how to best prepare it for extra profit and a tax-free windfall, when we decide to take the once-off opportunity to generate some worthwhile cash. The property needs to be clean and sparkling and will achieve the best price if it doesn't require any work. Always sell it furnished, but uncluttered.

The current housing market in Melbourne is the best it has been for some 15 years, with 82% clearance rates. Autumn and spring are the best times to sell, if you have a nice garden. Yet, in winter, there is less competition, with fewer houses on the market. When the market is strong like this, it's always a good time to sell.

Nick gave us the latest figures for prices in the local areas. For example, 47 homes have been sold in Canterbury this year in a price range of \$1.47million to \$5.16million. First home buyers can pick up a property in the fringe areas for around \$350,000. Student flats are cheap in Hawthorn East, ranging from \$95,000 to \$150,000. They are small and difficult to resell at a profit, yet they return around 7% in rental.



Dean Barnett accepting the Certificate of Membership from President Peter May

An absolute highlight of the experience of being a Club President is when you get the privilege of inducting a new member. And so it was as Dean Barnett became our newest member. Dean joins a growing number of members who are under the age of 35 - the future leaders of our club. He transferred from a Rotary Club in South Australia and came with glowing references. He has already been working with Gerry Cross to load shipping containers at Donations in Kind for the Philippines and attended meetings with the Scouts and Guides. But Josh, Brett and Dean need some girls to join us too! It was very nice to have Jess Moyle come along to support Dean on his special night. Our members are delighted to have you with us, Dean.

Speaker and Activities Program

Monday June 15

Speaker: Bee Ismail, Chair: TBA

"Prescription Medication Misuse"

Monday June 22

Speaker: Helen Schiele, Chair: TBA

"The Seeds of Peace Trip to ANZAC Cove"

Monday June 29

Changeover Dinner - 6:30 for 7:00pm until 10:30pm

MCC Kew Sports Club, 397 Barkers Road, Kew

Sunday Market 7am – 1pm

June 14 - Kay Gulenc, Jess Siriweera, John Braine

June 21 - Brian Bloomer, Roger Taylor, Russell Hoath

June 28 - Edward Gwee, Alan Stevens, Max Holland

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



President's Message - Continued

Working Together with the Scouts

We very much enjoyed the company of two Rover Scouts, Sarah Prosser and Kate McKillop at our last meeting. They joined in our games, were great social company, and hopefully learned a bit about Rotary and our Club. Each month this year, two members of the John Gardiner Rover Crew will attend our meetings, as part of our partnership with the Scouts. This provides a wonderful opportunity for our Youth Service Committee to network with these like-minded individuals, to plan joint projects and to form stronger friendships. Yes, those of us still young at heart can network with them too!!

ANZAC Day Volunteers Reception

Five members attended a reception at the Melbourne RSL last week. This was to thank all those who had assisted with this year's ANZAC Centenary march. Kyle Wightman received a framed certificate thanking the Rotary Club of Canterbury and all those who joined us for this event. Bob, Andrew, Keith and Peter enjoyed a lovely dinner with Kyle in Chinatown after the reception. Through some very enthusiastic debate (and fine wine), we solved half the problems of the world over dinner that night!

Aussie Pride Fund Raising

Our fund raising committee met at Val's house last weekend. It was a very effective meeting by this enthusiastic team of members. Bob Falconer is taking charge of new business from local government authorities, while Val Cuniffe continues with her focus on Australian Schools. Graham Bishop is the Chairman of our Fund Raising Committee and he will continue to manage the sales process with existing customers. Peter May, in his new role as Chairman of Club Marketing and Public Relations, will help Graham by managing the communications with existing customers. We are buying new databases of Local Government Authority contacts and for secondary schools in states outside Victoria. Hundreds of sample badges are being posted out in an attempt to attract new customers. In the year ahead, the club is budgeting to make \$22,000 profit from Aussie Pride badge sales. This will fund quite a few worthwhile projects.



Melbourne Fun Run with the Servants Community and for Alpha-1 Awareness

Annette Brownscombe informed members that our Club will be supporting participants from Carrical and Romana House in the Melbourne Run on 26th July. [Servants Community Housing](#) has been operating affordable accommodation and safe housing for those on low incomes for over a quarter of a century in Hawthorn, and more recently in Kew. It gives the residents a real sense of pride to be able to get involved with an activity like this, to benefit the organisation that does so much for them. Members and friends who would like to sponsor one of the residents can do so on the Melbourne Run website, or by sending your donation via our Rotary Club. Annette says that our Community Service committee plans to contribute \$1,000 to this project.



Also walking in the Melbourne Run to raise awareness of Alpha-1, is our member, [Jenni Nankervis](#). Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency is a genetic disorder that can cause serious lung and/or liver disease in people of all ages groups. Our Community Service Committee is also planning to support this organisation this year. Jenni is looking for others to join her team and for sponsors to help make the 5km walk even more worthwhile. Please give generously.



Seeds of Peace Scholars

The Seeds of Peace Scholars all attended the Rotary Club of Camberwell's meeting last Wednesday. Each of the seven scholars spoke about a different aspect of their experience. It was a wonderful night, with some very proud parents and teachers. It has been incredible to witness the development in maturity and confidence of these year 10 students, as they have been involved with this ANZAC Centenary cluster project. The book of their peace essays will be given to the Australian War Memorial in Canberra. Adrian Campbell is certainly to be congratulated for the two years of work he has put into this wonderful project. You can [watch video](#) of parts of the presentations on our Club Facebook page. These scholars will make brilliant Rotarians!





President's Message - Continued

District 9800 Model United Nations Assembly for 2015

I received the following email from our Club's Team of Beth and Tyson from Camberwell High as the UN delegates for Ethiopia.

Hi Peter,

We would like to thank you very much for allowing us the opportunity to attend the 2015 Model United Nations Assembly. We both had an extremely interesting and enjoyable camp. We met so many lovely people and learned a lot about the variety of perspectives in global politics as well as the running of the United Nations and the Rotary organisation itself. It was really rewarding to find the confidence to speak among so many strong debaters and to listen to our fellow students, all of whom were very knowledgeable and interesting.

We really appreciate that you sponsored us and will be sure to spread the word throughout the school of what a rewarding experience MUNA really is. I am sure that we will carry our experience with us for a long time, perhaps the rest of our lives, and be inspired to do more similar camps and activities in the future. We will definitely utilize the skills learned and developed on this camp in the years to come.

Thanks again,
Tyson and Beth



Annual Budget Time

The conclusion of our annual budgeting process draws close, with the June Club Board meeting scheduled for Monday, 22nd June. Our Youth Service committee plans to support a special project in Papua New Guinea, under Sue Clifford's leadership this year. Brett Riley takes over as Chairman of this committee at our Changeover. If you thought last year was great, just wait till you see what Nora and her leadership team have install for our Club for 2015-16. [We'll Be a Gift to the World!](#)

The Changeover Dinner - Monday 29th June 2015

Please read the information in this bulletin regarding our Changeover celebration night on Monday, 29th June. Also note that ticket sales end on Wednesday, 24th June. We hope you will join us for this special occasion. It is sure to be a great deal of fun.

Bee Ismail, from [Scriptwise](#), is our guest speaker next Monday. Come along to learn about something that is killing more people in Victoria than our road toll.

Enjoy your weekend and we'll see you next Monday.

Peter

The Next Speaker - Bee Ismail

Norhawa Bee Mohamed Ismail is the General Manager of [Scriptwise](#), a nonprofit organisation dedicated to tackling the issue of prescription drug misuse. The number of deaths from prescription medication in Australia is higher than the road toll and climbing - Scriptwise is fighting to bring this "hidden epidemic" into the national spotlight.

"One in ten people on prescription medication develop some kind of dependency and these are complex manifestations. It might start with medication that's prescribed for depression or anxiety or for pain relief after surgery, but these are meant to be only short-term solutions.

"Over time, this can turn into a situation where people start self-medicating, taking more than what's required and they go back to the GP who often ends up increasing the dose," she explains.

"This isn't necessarily about the patient deliberately going out there trying to get more drugs, because once that dependency starts your brain thinks it's still in pain when in fact, it's actually become dependent."



Bee Ismail with Heath Ledger's father Kim Ledger at the Scriptwise launch in March 2015



The Rotary Club of Canterbury

Invites you, your partner and friends to the

Changeover Dinner

Celebrate a very successful year for our club.

A night of fine food, warm fellowship, dancing, and laughter.

Join us to send off President Peter May and Judy and to

Welcome President Nora Ley and the new Board.

MCC Kew Sports Club

397 Barkers Road, Kew

Monday, 29 June 2015

6:30 for 7:00 pm until 10:30pm

Buffet Style Dinner with 2 drinks included

Tickets \$50 each

Door Prizes

Be entertained by Beverley Sheehan and

'Swing Shift'

THEME – Crazy Hat

Wear your wackiest hat, if you dare!

Join your fellow Rotarians and friends for a great night out

This is a ticketed event, with no sales after 24 June 2015

Purchase your tickets online at <http://www.trybooking.com/HVJX>

