



# Canterbury Tales

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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 Friday*

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*Advise Graham of a long absence*

## The Rotary Radio Show

Fridays 6pm to 8pm

**3WBC  
 94.1 FM**

## The Aussie Pride Badge



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## Captain 'Old King' Cole ... Port Phillip Pioneer

Our Guest Speaker on Monday was John Botham who stood in for his wife Helen and presented a most interesting and informative talk about one of our great early Melbourne pioneers ... Captain George Ward 'Old King' Cole. John is a member and tour guide for the [C J La Trobe Society](#) which promotes and celebrates the memory and achievements of Victoria's first Lieutenant Governor.



*John Botham*

George Cole came to Melbourne in 1840 at the age of 47, after having had a distinguished naval career and then in the mercantile marines following the Napoleonic Wars. On arrival in Melbourne, he identified the problems with deep water and small ships to the Yarra and Sandridge. He made various commendation and proposals to improve transport to the city and in 1841 applied for a permit to build a wharf at a Tea-tree swamp area. In 1842, he was already running a successful operation which became Queens Wharf ... so successful that the prevailing Government increased wharfage fees resulting in a loss of income to George Cole and an eventual, but inadequate, compensation of four thousand pounds. George Cole could see that Melbourne needed steamships and he built the Steamer 'City of Melbourne' to cross Bass Strait from the area he built known as Coles Wharf.

After losing his first wife Eliza before arriving in Melbourne, he married into a prominent Melbourne family (Anne McRae) and bought land in Brighton on the foreshore between North

and South Roads ... including the St. Ninians property bought from Henry Dendy for just over five thousand pounds. St Ninians was the scene of the 1860s celebrated Brighton Flower Show. Captain Cole was keenly interested in horticulture and introduced sugar beet into the colony and pioneered the use of seaweed as fertiliser, and strongly advocated agricultural colleges.

George Cole also salvaged ships and formed a steamship company. He was Chairman of the State Bank Authority and a member of the Lloyds Association. He bought land on the Peninsular at Redcliff and founded the town of St Leonards ... there is a monument to him on the foreshore.

For the next two decades, George threw himself into community life through his position of great prominence as a key business and government influencer and entrepreneur. He served on the Legislative Council for twenty years representing the seat of Gippsland. He was a Member of the Upper House until 1879. He was buried draped in the Union Jack flag and his grave is in the Melbourne General Cemetery. Sadly, his children did not produce descendants and so his heritage did not live on but he is still one of Melbourne's most significant leaders and pioneers.

We are indebted to John Botham for a very interesting and entertaining presentation to our Club and look forward to his next visit with his wife Helen as guest speaker talking about La Trobe's Cottage Garden. Click the following link to download a pdf copy of an article by John Botham entitled [Captain 'Old King' Cole: Port Phillip pioneer and Victorian patriarch](#).

## Speaker and Activities Program

Monday July 30

Monday August 6

Monday August 13

Monday August 20

Speaker: Martin Jones, **"Home Care and Retirement Living ... Recent Developments"**

Speaker: Kate Shirley, **"My Health Record"**

Social Event: **"Dance Night at the Canterbury Basscare Centre"**

Speaker: Faye Kirkwood, **"Beekeeping ... a globally important subject"**

## Sunday Market 7am – 1pm

July 29 - Graham Bishop, Alan Stevens, Neil Williams (+Kyle Wightman)

August 5 - Anne Josefsberg, Lili-Ann Kreigler, Malcolm Short (+Rob Simpson)

August 12 - Lynne Steel/Janet Hay, Amir Salehi, Edward Gwee (+Kyle Wightman)

August 19 - Andrew Mastrowicz, George Dolezal, Rick Western (+Rob Simpson)

**Contact Janet Hay for all roster changes and requests, Mob 0411 411 732**

**Please be on time as if you are late, our Club pays \$50 penalty for each half hour or part thereof.**

## President's Message

Another informative meeting last Monday about a little known Melbourne pioneer, Captain George Ward Cole. The speaker, John Botham, had an excellent PowerPoint presentation that highlighted many interesting aspects of very early Melbourne.



### Tony Laycock is our newest Rotarian

A highlight of the evening was the induction of Tony Laycock as our newest member. Tony was warmly welcomed, together with his lovely wife Wendy. Tony is well known to many Club members through his friendship with Doug Hawley and his attendance at Club meetings. Doug is away at present and so was not able to formally introduce Tony to Club members, and so I thank John McCaskill for representing Doug.

*Wendy Laycock, Tony Laycock, John McCaskill and President Steve Wylie*

## New Initiatives to improve income for the Club

Over the last two years our revenue has dropped 24% due to reducing returns from our two major income sources, the Camberwell Market and Aussie Pride badge sales. While there is not much we can do about the market and Graham and his team are looking at other sales channels for the badges, we are investigating new revenue opportunities for our Club. These include us providing market analysis services to SMEs in our area; getting companies to sponsor our projects; using FORaMEAL as a fundraiser or an opportunity for sponsorship; providing advertising in Canterbury Tales; and taking entry donations to the Auto Classico event in Maling Road, Canterbury.

Bill is off and running with the Canterbury Tales advertising and has sent letters to prospective advertisers. Amir has a confirmed arrangement with the organisers of Auto Classico. Val has already received sponsorship for a packing night from another Rotary Club and is reaching out to potential company sponsors. John is well into testing the feasibility of the market analysis service. Lili-Ann is working with the Brighton Rotary Club on a potential joint project with multiple sponsors. Everyone is invited and encouraged to join any of these teams.

### The Maling Road Auto Classico 2018

The Maling Road Auto Classico will be held this year on Sunday 19th August. There will be over 30 marquees of cars on display - in excess of 150 cars in the event, valued in excess of \$80M in value - shown in historic Maling Road Canterbury. There will be roaming entertainment, food, cafes, sponsors marquees, as well as, the retail stores being opened for a fun day. Click the following youtube link from the [Maling Road Auto Classico 2017](#).

Please contact Amir Salehi if you are available to help with this event on Sunday 19th August and in the collection of entry donations. It will be a really fun event for the public and for our Club members.

Steve



## The Next Speaker - Martin Jones

Martin Jones is the Business Development Manager for Regis Aged Care. Martin has specialised in the Aged Care industry for the past 15 years and his experience spans both the financial planning industry and approved providers of Care. Martin's knowledge and understanding of the financial aspects of Aged Care has established him as one of the leading financial trainers in the industry. He has spoken at Conferences and provided training through peak bodies and at numerous information seminars throughout Australia.

Regis Aged Care is one of the largest providers of Aged Care in Australia. It is a listed company providing quality service in Retirement Living, Home Care and Residential Care.

Martin's talk is entitled 'Home Care and Retirement Living ... Recent Developments'.



## Thursday with the Canterbury Rotary Lunchers

The next Canterbury Rotary lunch will be at the "Trinitas Thai Restaurant", 955 Burke Road, Camberwell on **Thursday** 2nd August at the time of 12:30pm. The Lunchers have been meeting each Wednesday fortnight - so please come along if Thursday is better for you.

Trinitas Thai isn't a typical Thai restaurant, it prides itself on traditional, contemporary and fusion Thai dishes that are authentic and diverse. The restaurant has an air of sophistication with mood lighting, jazz music playing softly and simple photos on the wall of the ingredients.

The Trinitas Thai Restaurant is fully licensed or you can BYO wine.

Please let Mal Short know if you are coming [malcolm.short@canterburyrotary.org](mailto:malcolm.short@canterburyrotary.org) or 0404 805 933.



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Save the  
**DATE**

## PRESIDENT'S BREAKFAST



**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018** 7:15am - 9:00 am  
MCC Member's Dining Room & Percy Beames Bar (MCG Gate 1)



**GUEST SPEAKER: Ian Riseley OAM**  
President of Rotary International 2017 - 2018  
"Why good people should want to be Rotarians"

All Rotarians, Presidents, Past Presidents  
& Friends of Rotary welcome

**\$70pp** (early bird \$65 to 31Jul18)

For registration:

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