

# **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 Register and Pay Online

#### **Apologies**

Notify Meeting Apology \*prior to 10AM Monday

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The Rotary Radio Show Fridays 6pm to 8pm 3WBC 94.1 FM

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#### The Melbourne Metro Tunnel

Last Monday Evan Tattersall, the CEO of the Melbourne Metro Rail Authority, spoke to the Club members and friends about the Metro Tunnel project. He described how the system would function with interchange between rail and trams at the five new underground stations creating a new end-to-end rail line from Sunbury to Cranbourne and Pakenham. The stations will be at Domain beside the Shrine, CBD South adjoining Flinders Street station, CBD North adjoining Melbourne Central station, Parkville under Gratton Street beside Melbourne University, and Arden to the south of the North Melbourne Football Ground.

The Arden station is on a large site that will trigger significant urban renewal of this inner-city area. The site has the potential to accommodate 25,000 residents and in excess of 43,000 jobs. Evan said that the Arden station area could be provide over \$7 billion of development value.



Evan Tattersall

Evan explained that the tunnels north and south of the CBD would be excavated with Tunnel Boring Machines, whereas the CBD section would probably be excavated with road headers like in underground mining. Cut and cover construction was considered for the CBD section but it has been decided to have the tunnels deeper which will be less disruptive to Swanson Street. The Metro Tunnels will go underneath the City Link tunnels and the City Loop tunnels.

He said that traffic diversion works may be in place for four years at some locations. At Domain station there will be staged closures to enable trams and traffic to keep moving in both directions, but at times it may be only one lane of traffic. Domain Road will be partially closed and trams re-routed down Toorak Road. In the CBD the City Square will be occupied, as will part of Franklin Street, for tunnel construction access. At Parkville station Gratton Street will be occupied. Arden station is located on industrial land.

He said the planned completion is 2026 and the trains will be more automated than the current trains with shorter times between trains providing a high-frequency service. The stations will have full height Platform Screen Doors separating the passengers from the trains. Passengers can wait right up against these doors and the train will stop aligned with the doors. This speeds up passenger transfer and protects against accidental falls, it also improves station climate control and blocks the wind that trains push in front of them when they arrive at a station.

Evan's presentation was excellent and accompanied by some informative videos showing the location of the tunnels and how the train service would function. He clearly set out what engineering works will be undertaken and the benefits that will come from the Metro Tunnel.

**Speaker and Activities Program** 

Speaker: Andrew Kelly, "Yarra Riverkeeper", Chair: Steve Wylie "The Christmas Party" Monday December 12

Monday December 19

Christmas and New Year Break from 20 December 2016 to 15 January 2017

Monday January 16 New Year BBQ at Canterbury Gardens

Speaker: Sussan Ley MP, Federal Minister for Health and Ageing, Minister for Sport Monday January 23

Date and Topic of Talk to be Confirmed

#### Sunday Market 7am - 1pm

December 11 - Cathie Macmillan, David Zrna, Kathleen Stapleton/Chris James January 8 - Jenni Nankervis, Gerry Cross, Anne Josefsberg January 15 - Sarah Walters, Camela Dimasi, Michael Chong

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.





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### **President's Message**

Last Monday was a great meeting with nine visitors attending, including David Chudasko's young sons, Max and William. We were privileged to hear from Even Tattersall as our speaker. He gave a very professional talk to us about the new Metro Tunnel. The Tunnel will have great benefits to the City of Melbourne with both trains and trams. He pointed out that the existing City Loop underground railway is currently at full capacity with respect to the number of trains that can pass through each day. If nothing is done then the train and tram system will not be able to cope with the projected increase in the population of Melbourne. The new Metro Tunnel will primarily take trains to and from the north-west and south-east of Melbourne and, as a result, it will relieve pressure on the existing City Loop. Combined with some new trains and improved signalling, the capacity of the train system will increase by about fifty percent. This will also take pressure off the existing tram system which is also currently overloaded.

## **IT Systems and Public Image**

Max Holland gave us a preliminary outline of what is involved with the changeover of IT functions after Peter May leaves the Club at the end of December. Max has made great advances in learning the many functions that Peter has expertly set up for Club communications. The point was made that our IT System is excellent and was recognised as such by the District when last Rotary year our Club last received a Club Service Innovation Recognition Award. The Award was for sourcing new ways of interacting with members and non-members through data and attractive technology, using MailChimp, redesigning the website and incorporating the Bulletin, and at the same time, automating administration.



Max's summary was that we should be okay to continue with the IT communication systems but he will need more helpers to learn and carry out aspects of these systems. One area that Max emphasised was that we need more people to make posts on the Club's Facebook page about the Club's activities. I know from talking to our orthoptist students that now they rarely communicate by email, preferring to use Facebook instead.

#### **Facebook and Public Image**

Max has identified that very many of our Club members already have Facebook accounts, including myself and President Elect Rob Simpson, but very few members have been involved with posting to the Club's Facebook page. He felt that maybe this was partially due to concerns that members might have about what they may be letting themselves in for if they do identify themselves on the site. He explained that you could become an Editor of the Club's Facebook page and then you could make posts that are identified as coming from the Club rather than from an individual - thus preserving personal anonymity. In addition to the present Editors, I think that the Presidents and Presidents Elect should preferrably be Editors as well as the Chairs of Committees. The Chairs have a responsibility to ensure that a record of the Committee's activities should be posted to Facebook, either by themselves or by someone else on their Committee. Our Club does so many worthwhile things and Facebook is the way to put forward our Public Image to more people, and particularly younger people. I will ask Max to keep a score of the number of posts that members are doing to Facebook. Hopefully, it will increase steadily. You may think that it is easy for me but I assure that it will be a big learning experience for me as well.

Please see Max if you would like to become an Editor. He will explain what is involved and we may have a session where the process of Facebook posting and editing is explained. It is quite simple to make a post as an Editor, go to the Club's Facebook page and then write something in the box that says, "Write Something ......". By default, you will be posting as the Club and not yourself. Click the pencil icon on the top left and it gives the publishing button and on the bottom left a camera icon to click which you can use to upload files or images that you have on your computer. When you have finished writing and uploading, you click the publish button to post, once you have posted something, you can edit or delete it.

## Some Important Dates to Consider

- 1. The 2017 Rotary International Convention in Atlanta which will be in June, 2017 (I think). The Rotary Foundation will celebrate "100 years of Doing Good in the World" in the city where it all began. I'm sure that this will be a fantastic convention and you will be inspired and proud to be a Rotarian by attending. I have attended three International Conventions, but all have been in Australia. They were all great experiences. Interestingly, Australian Rotarians seem to me to rarely travel overseas to attend these annual International Conventions. In the nearly 30 years that our Club has been in existence, I can only think of one or two members ever going to an overseas convention. Yet, our sister Clubs in the Philippines all seem to have many members attending each year. For example, the Rotary Club of Masbate had 15 members attend the Convention in Sydney and several also attended the subsequent Conventions in Rio Janeiro and Seoul. If you are likely to be travelling in the USA around the time of the International Convention and would like to attend, please let me know and I will get you some more information. My reason for raising it now is that early bird convention fees close on 15th December 2016.
- 2. On Wednesday 8th March 2017, the International Women's Day Breakfast, 2017 will be held.
- 3. Also 31st December, 2016 is the deadline for submitting information on our signature projects for consideration as Rotary Highlights which will be shown at our District Conference to be held in Shepparton next year.





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# The Next Speaker - Andrew Kelly

Andrew Kelly grew up along the banks of the beautiful Yarra River. Andrew has degrees in geography and archaeology and became a Yarra Riverkeeper in 2014.

The <u>Yarra Riverkeeper Association</u> speaks for the Yarra, Melbourne's own iconic River. The Association is an independent community of citizen-advocates that work solely in the interest of the river. The spokesperson of the Association is the Yarra Riverkeeper.

Andrew says "We advocate for the River: for green spaces, for water quality, for biodiversity, for the birds, animals, insects and reptiles along the River, for good planning decisions, for the tributaries, for the parklands, for appropriate recreation; and for an understanding of our river and its role in the life of the city of Melbourne. We lobby governments and we educate the community. We tell the story of the River."



# The Club's Christmas Party for Members, Partners and Friends

DATE Monday 19th December 2016, arrive 6:00pm for 6:30pm

WHERE David Robinson's home,

1/4A Gascoyne Street, Canterbury

COST \$25 per head, BYO drinks

BOOKING As this will be a catered event you must register and pay by

Monday 12th December 2016.

CHAIRS It is suggested that you bring a small fold up chair because available seating is limited.

PARKING At present Gascoyne Street is being re-curbed and you may have to use surrounding streets.



## The Rotary Sustainability Store and Bookshop

The Rotary Sustainability Store and Bookshop is doing very well in the lead up to Christmas. The Store is located at the top corner of the Camberwell Market Area near the Post Office. You can buy Camcare Christmas cards and Rotary baked puddings and Rotary traditional rum & brandy fruit cakes. There is also a huge selection of second hand books for your summer reading at super low prices. Our special thanks to Jill, Janet and the many volunteers for their tremendous efforts in running the store.









# Sight Restored for 4200 Filipinos And Seeds of Peace Project

Click to download the <u>latest edition of District 9800 The Networker</u> which features two projects involving our Rotary Club of Canterbury.

On page 9 there is an article on our 20th Medical Mission to the Philippines, which is also President Doug's 17th mission. It mentions that that this year 700 people were screened for cataracts and eye issues and 9,200 children were screened for ear infections. Two Filipino surgeons performed 454 free eye operations, including 300 for cataracts during the six day clinic, a record for the program. The party found 40% of children had hearing problems due to ear infections and impacted wax. These children were treated by a Filipino ENT specialist travelling with the party.

On page 7 there is an article about the Rotary Club of Camberwell's 'Seeds of Peace' project and the resultant book which reached a new peak in November when it was nominated as a finalist in the prestigious Shrine of Remembrance Medal award. The project had inputs from all of the Rotary Clubs in Boroondara, including our Rotary Club of Canterbury. Seven students were selected from peace essays submitted, and they travelled to the Anzac beaches in the Centenary Year, while at home whole of school ceremonies were conducted on Anzac Day in participating schools. Seeds of Peace plaques and Turkish pine trees were planted to mark the milestone.

