

# Program: 27 August - 26 November 2010

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Every Friday, 6-7.45pm at the **GAELIC CLUB**

Level 1, 64 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills (across from Chalmers St exit & Devonshire St tunnel at Central Station). Take lift to Level 1. The Gaelic Club opens 5pm. Parking available in side streets.

Dinner afterwards in nearby restaurants. Become a social member of Gaelic Club for \$5. NB: At present we are unable to maintain the email list. Contact us if you need to be included in the postal mailout.

- ▶ **27 Aug**     **MAINSTREAM MEDIA – NOT GIVING PEACE A CHANCE.**  
*Jake Lynch*, Director Centre Peace & Conflict Studies, Sydney University;  
*Inka Stafrace*, Director/Producer film about Gaza – *Hope in a Slingshot*.
  
- ▶ **3 Sept**     **HOMELESSNESS – THE SCANDAL OF UNFULFILLED PROMISES.**  
*Hazel Blunden*, Housing Policy Officer for the Greens;  
*Daniel Petsalis*, Homeless Support Services Mission Australia.

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- ▶ **10 Sept**     **CLIMATE CHANGE – EFFECTIVE RESPONSE TO THIS ERA OF DELAYERS.**  
*John Connor*, CEO, Climate Institute; *Geoff Evans*, Mineral Policy Institute.
  
- ▶ **17 Sept**     **HEALTH CARE REFORM – WHAT WILL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DELIVER?**  
*John Dwyer*, Emeritus Prof. Medicine, UNSW, Founder Aust. HealthCare Reform Alliance;  
*Dr Con Costa*, National Vice President, Doctors Reform Society.
  
- ▶ **24 Sept**     **THE DESTRUCTION OF THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SYSTEM.**  
*Brendan O'Connor*, Associate Professor, US Studies Centre, Sydney University;  
*Dr Lloyd Cox*, lecturer Macquarie University.

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Discussion starts at 6pm – ceases at 7.45pm.  
Copies of the program are available at *Gleebooks*.

## THE GAELIC CLUB

64 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills ■ Phone: 9212 1587 (opposite eastern entrance to Central Railway)

- ▶ 1 Oct **NO MEETING. Long weekend.**
- ▶ 8 Oct **AFGHANISTAN- FOR PITY'S SAKE BRING THE TROOPS HOME!**  
*Phil Glendenning*, Director Edmund Rice Centre;  
*Patricia Garcia*, "Act For Peace", Int. Programs Director, Nat. Council Churches.
- ▶ 15 Oct **TIBET – THE STRUGGLE FOR CULTURAL SURVIVAL.**  
Screening of part of the film *Tibet- Murder in the Snow*.  
*Mr Jigme*, President of the Tibetan Community; *Tenpa Dugdak* from Tibet Effect.
- ▶ 22 Oct **ATHEISM – RELEVANCE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE & PEACE.**  
*Jane Caro*, Social commentator, author, atheist;  
*Neil Ormerod*, Professor of Theology, Australian Catholic University .
- ▶ 29 Oct **POPULATION GROWTH & CLIMATE CHANGE – A DEBATE.**  
*Mark Diesendorf*, Professor, Institute for Environmental Studies, author  
*Climate Action – A Campaign Manual for Greenhouse Solutions*;  
*Ben Spies Butcher*, Sociology Macquarie University.

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- ▶ 5 Nov **WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE PUBLIC INTEREST?**  
*Steve Marks*, Legal Services Commissioner NSW, Chair, International Commission Jurists.  
*Edward Santow*, UNSW Law School.
- ▶ 12 Nov **EAST TIMOR – AN UPDATE.** *Paul Cleary*, journalist, author of *Shakedown – Australia's Grab for Timor's Oil* & new book on *Timor Men Who Came Out of The Ground*;  
*Abel Guterres*, Ambassador, Democratic Republic Timor-Leste.
- ▶ 19 Nov **WHERE IS THE AUSTRALIAN LEFT TO-DAY?** *Sally McManus*, Australian Services Union (NSW & ACT); *Geoff Hawker*, Professor of Politics, Macquarie University.
- ▶ 26 Nov **THE AUSTRALIAN BANKS – HOW TO WIN WHEN EVERYONE ELSE LOSES.** *Ian Verender*, financial journalist SMH; *Stephen Long*, financial journalist, ABC.

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**Convened by:** Howard Bell, Win Childs, Virginia Gawler, Phil Glendenning,  
Bob Howard, Michael Pusey, Mary Rawlings, Stuart Rees, Sean Reynolds,  
Muriel Scandrett, Ben Spies-Butcher, Frank Stilwell, Bruce and Pat Toms, Sue Tracey.

*What is Politics in the Pub? We are people who class ourselves as "left" and "democratic" who have established a left politico focus in Sydney to promote cross fertilisation and discussion. We are non party political and are not establishing another political party. All welcome. Dinner afterwards.*

