Socialist Equality Party election meetings

The socialist alternative to austerity, social inequality and war

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The Socialist Equality Party is standing 10 candidates in electorates in Sydney, Melbourne, Newcastle and Perth and an above-the-line Senate ticket in both New South Wales and Victoria for the August 21 federal election.

The election was called barely three weeks after the June 24 political coup that removed the elected prime minister, Kevin Rudd. Amidst the greatest global economic crisis since the 1930s, the new Prime Minister Julia Gillard has been installed by major corporate and financial interests to implement an agenda of austerity and war. Immediately following her installation by Labor's factional warlords, she pledged to balance the budget by 2013 through "hard choices and unpopular cutbacks" and intensify Australian involvement in the neo-colonial US-led occupation in Afghanistan.

The mindless sloganeering and anti-immigrant rhetoric that dominates the official campaigns of both Labor and the Liberal-National Party opposition is aimed at suppressing discussion about the real policies that will be implemented by whichever party forms government—a stepped-up offensive against the living standards and democratic rights of the working class, in line with the austerity measures being implemented by governments around the world.

The SEP's campaign is aimed at preparing the working class for the struggles ahead by advancing an independent perspective and program grounded on the principles of socialist internationalism and the fight for a workers' government that will implement socialist policies in the interests of the vast majority, not the wealthy few.

The SEP candidates will be addressing public meetings over the next four weeks in their electorates, and final rallies in Melbourne and Sydney. We urge all *World Socialist Web Site* readers, and supporters of the SEP and International Students for Social Equality (ISSE) to attend.

Reid: NSW

Sunday, August 1, 2.00 p.m.

Woodstock Community Centre Conference Room 22 Church Street, Burwood (Parking at rear entrance, Fitzroy Street) Tickets: \$2

Kingsford Smith: NSW

Wednesday, August 4, 7.00 p.m. Coogee Eastward Seniors Hall 97R Brook Street, Coogee Tickets: \$2

Blaxland: NSW

Thursday, August 5, 7.00 p.m. Chester Hill Community Centre 25 Chester Hill Rd, Chester Hill Tickets: \$2

Grayndler: NSW

Thursday, August 5, 7.00 p.m. Herb Greedy Hall 79 Petersham Rd, Marrickville Tickets: \$2

Gellibrand: VIC

Thursday, August 5, 7.00 p.m. Victoria University Footscray Park Campus Ballarat Road Building G, Room 470 (Level 4) Tickets: \$2

Parramatta: NSW

Sunday, August 8, 2.00 p.m. Parramatta Town Hall (Jubilee Hall) 182 Church Street Mall (Near Parramatta Railway Station) Tickets: \$2

Fowler: NSW

Sunday, August 8, 3.00 p.m.

Green Valley District Centre 179-183 Wilson Rd, Green Valley Tickets: \$2 **Calwell: VIC** Sunday, August 8, 2.30 p.m. Antalla Community Centre Blair Street, Dallas (Melways 6K4) Tickets: \$2 Newcastle: NSW Thursday August 12, 7.00 p.m. Joy Cummings Centre, Corner of Scott and Pacific Streets, Newcastle (one block up Scott Street from Newcastle Station) Tickets: \$2 Swan: WA Sunday August 15, 5.00 p.m. Victoria Park Centre for the Arts 12 Kent Street, East Victoria Park Tickets: \$2 **Final Election Meeting in Melbourne** Wednesday, August 18, 7.00 p.m. Victoria University Footscray Park Campus Ballarat Road Building G (on Ballarat Rd, opposite car park) Room 467 (Level 4) Tickets: \$3 **Final Election Meeting in Sydney** Thursday, August 19, 7.00 p.m. Tom Mann Theatre 136 Chalmers St, Surry Hills (Close to Central Station) Tickets: \$3 Click here for full coverage of the SEP 2010 election campaign Authorised by N. Beams, 307 Macquarie St, Liverpool, NSW 2170



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