Socialist Equality Party election meetings in NSW

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The Socialist Equality Party (SEP) candidates in the March 28 state election in New South Wales, **James Cogan** in Summer Hill, **Carolyn Kennett** in Penrith, **Oscar Grenfell** in Bankstown and **Noel Holt** in Wyong, will address meetings in their electorates next week. A combined election rally will be held in Sydney on Sunday March 22.

The meetings will provide a forum for the discussion of the SEP's perspective. Our candidates are fighting for a socialist and internationalist program against war, austerity, and the ever-escalating assault on democratic rights under the fraudulent banner of the "war on terror."

Regardless of the election outcome, the next government in New South Wales will intensify the attack on the living standards and social rights of the working class on behalf of the financial and corporate elite. This class war agenda is being propelled by the deepening global economic crisis, which is fuelling ever-growing international tensions.

The US, fully backed by Australia, is preparing for war against Russia and China. It continues to fuel a dangerous confrontation with Russia over Ukraine, while recklessly stoking conflict with China in flashpoints in Asia such as the South China Sea. The Abbott government has sent another 300 Australian troops to join the new US-led war in the Middle East, which is aimed, above all, at dominating the oil-rich region.

The SEP's election statement explains: "In every country, millions of workers and youth are deeply opposed to this toxic state of affairs. But anger and opposition alone cannot prevent the descent into poverty and war. The working class must be armed with an alternative political strategy and perspective, one that seeks to mobilise its massive social strength in a unified political struggle for world socialism and the

reorganisation of economic life on the basis of social equality and the fulfilment of human needs—not the wealth, profits and privileges of a tiny minority."

We urge workers and youth who are looking for an alternative to austerity and war to attend the closest SEP meeting to take part in the discussion and make preparations to attend the final election rally on March 22.

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Wednesday, March 11, 7.00 p.m. Toukley Neighbourhood Centre Heador Street, Toukley

Summer Hill

Thursday, March 12, 7.00 p.m. Ashfield Civic Centre 260 Liverpool Road, Ashfield (short walk from Ashfield Station)

Bankstown

Thursday, March 12, 7.00 p.m. Bankstown Senior Citizens Centre 7 West Terrace, Bankstown (short walk from Bankstown Station)

Penrith

Sunday March 15, 2:00 p.m. Kingswood Neighbourhood Centre 19 Bringelly Road, Kingswood

SEP Election Rally

Sunday, March 22, 2.30 p.m. Ashfield Civic Centre 260 Liverpool Road, Ashfield (short walk from Ashfield Station)

Tickets for all meetings: \$3/\$2 concession

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