

Progressive Atheists Inc.

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Gippsland Atheist and Freethinkers Group have been invited by Gippsland Labor Facebook to submit in writing a document on reasons why religion should be taxed. An offer to present the document at the local branch meeting has been noted as well as sending it to the Federal MP. Anyone wanting to help cover or provide links please contact:

<https://www.facebook.com/GippslandAtheistFreeThinkersGroup>

Unisex Progressive Atheist T-Shirt



Colours

T-shirts with WHITE printing: black, navy, royal blue, dark green, red

T-shirts with BLACK printing: sky blue, yellow

Sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL

Price: \$25.00 plus \$8.25 P&H within Australia.

Orders: call or text our Treasurer – Brian: 0413 136 336:

OR email your order to: tshirts@progressiveatheists.org

See our website: <http://progressiveatheists.org/about-us/products/>

- Avoid postage – pick up from a Melbourne Atheists MeetUp
- Details of further colours and actual measurements of sizes will be available from 1st of August 2013.
- The latest batch of Windcheaters are expected to be available by 15th August 2013.

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"Your participation is PA's future"

August 2013

- ✓ Election – 2013
- ✓ Melbourne Sunday Assembly
- ✓ World Youth Day
- ✓ Radio Show
- ✓ Welcome back Elida and Eric
- ✓ SCANZ
- ✓ Victorian and Melbourne Groups
- ✓ Unisex Progressive Atheist T-Shirts

Membership

Ask for a membership form at your local meet-up

ONLY \$10 – let's encourage positive change!

membership@progressiveatheists.org

Contact the Progressive Atheists Inc.

President: Andrew – 0438 043 050

Secretary: Alice – 0422 907 106

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Website: progressiveatheists.org

Election – 2013

The federal election could be held on Saturday, 31st August 2013, - only one month away.

Are Atheists ready to counter the religious dominance of politics or are Atheists like a herd of cats?

It's time to take a closer look at parties that matter to freethinkers and secularists. It's worth noting that in the run-up to the election, we have seen social issues being aired and brought back by the religious conservatives.

Newly formed religious parties like Family Voice, Australian Christians, Rise up Australia and others, though small in membership, will be exerting their influence on the electorate with their own version on 'family values'.

Even if you are already supporting a political party, we can still support each other to battle our common enemies.

If you wish to assist or just receive updates for your electorate, please email <elections@progressiveatheists.org> with the name of your local federal electoral division.

Also, if you wish, recommend a local candidate or tell us who we should work together to stop. And if you wish, add more contact details and the name of your local council.

Sunday Assembly

Show up this Sunday 28/7 for songs and discussions with the friendly godless community. This Sunday's theme is "Lend a Hand" with Cyndi Darnell speaking on "Sex in Church" and reading from Catherine Deveny. Channel Ten's 'The Project' will be filming this month's service!

World Youth Day- Brazil

Pope Francis sees his church in Brazil as being threatened by secularism and a fast-growing Protestantism. They are expecting 1.5 million people to gather from 170 countries, including Australian Catholic Youth Groups.

Progressive Atheist News

Radio Show with Philip Braham

Two members will be interviewed by Philip Braham on the Yarra Valley FM 99.1 Community Radio Show in early August. Philip conducts a lifestyle show titled "Keeping you sane" on Friday mornings.

Welcome back Elida and Eric!

We welcome back Elida and Eric from their overseas trip. Elida attended two important and successful conferences on Women and Secularism! Report and other information on both conferences will be published soon on our website.

SCANZ

PA has submitted an article to the newly formed Secular Coalition of Australia and New Zealand.

SCANZ was set up earlier this year drawing its inspiration from the Sean Faircloth's tour to both countries. To view our article and read all about SCANZ "10 Point Plan" go to : <http://secularcoalitionanz.org/>

Port Phillip Atheists and Melbourne Sunday Assembly –

Come along and meet Port Phillip Atheists ahead of the Melbourne Sunday Assembly. For more information see:

<http://www.meetup.com/Melbourne-Atheists/events/131089952/>

<https://www.facebook.com/events/144951125703469/>

Melbourne Atheist Meetup Group – Find out local Meetups with Atheists and freethinkers for conversation and friendship!

<http://www.meetup.com/Melbourne-Atheists/events/calendar/>

La Trobe Atheists Club - Contact them for updates and other information on:

<https://www.facebook.com/LaTrobeAtheists>

Geelong Atheists Meetup – come and join a monthly Meetup for general discussion on issues relating to atheism and other current events. Contact them at: <http://www.meetup.com/Melbourne-Atheists/events/131603712/>