

## LABORS NEW SPEAKEASY COMMUNICATORS FOOL AUSTRALIAN VOTERS LONG LIVE KEVIN DE RUDD

Abalinx – A Voice from the pavement. 15 July 2013

The voice took a long walk along the pavements of South Morang on the week end, looking at the growth corridors and the new people moving in. It was only a few years ago the voice can remember when he could walk for miles and not see a soul in the area except for the odd wallaby or kangaroo. A vehicle would whiz past occasionally, a pack of birds could be seen hovering above and yes there were cows still grazing alongside other cattle in the fields. All of this had now gone and replaced by offices, industries, new suburbs, strip malls and new communities.

What has this to do with politics, nothing muttered the voice to himself other than to find it amusing that there are no cattle, no birds hovering above, no kangaroos or wallabies and certainly there were more vehicles crisscrossing the streets that were the lifelines to the new suburbs. Ahhhhh, love it or leave it, progress was here to stay said the voice as he side stepped a worm near the edge of the pavement. What was Kevin de Rudd and his companion Chris de Bowen up to these days wondered the voice from the pavement? Why is it that it's difficult to come to grips with what they are saying? After all they both speak Australian English.

Thinking about Kevin de Rudd, the voice passed another worm on the pavement and feeling sorry for it and picked it up, placing it in the grass away from its natural the predators. Well Kevin de Rudd speaks in a language that all Australians understand as 'malarkey', 'skiting', 'galah', 'drongo', and trying to 'strike a light' with the ordinary Australian just like the voice from the pavement. Kevin de Rudd the other day was seen acting like a king greeting the foreign representatives in style. A big long queue all waiting to greet the "Emperor" Kevin de Rudd. I wonder what message Kevin the Rudd was sending out to all Australians? "Look at me", "It all about me", "I am Lazarus", "I am back", "I am the Emperor" said 'Kevin de Rudd.

Well the voice from the pavement was not impressed or taken in by his 'American style election rhetoric of 'My fellow Australians" or "We are in this together". Women voters who one must add are far more intelligent than men have now seen through the veil of deception and have peered through the foliage to see what is on the other side of Kevin de Rudd. Men should also take off their dark glass and see exactly what Kevin de Rudd is really made of. Looking back at the worm the voice had saved from destruction, he was dismayed to see that despite his good intentions, a galah had swooped out of nowhere to snatch the worm in its beak and flying off to the North in the vicinity of Lalor and Epping.

Oh well thought the voice from the pavement, I guess all worms have their day and I wondered what Kevin de Rudd and his companion Chris de Bowen were doing tomorrow. Abalinx – A voice from the pavement



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## TONY ABBOTT SAYS LABORS SWITCH TO AN EMISSIONS TRADING SCHEME IS A CON JOB

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TONY Abbott has attacked Labor's carbon tax policy switch to an emissions trading scheme as a "con job", saying the government cannot be trusted on the issue. But Treasurer Chris Bowen, who this morning confirmed the *broad* plans on Channel Ten's *Meet The Press*, said Labor had long believed in an emissions trading scheme - as did Mr Abbott. As reported by News Limited newspapers and websites today, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd will announce plans to scrap the carbon tax within days as he clears the decks for an election.

The decision could slash electricity bills by up to \$150 a year for families spending \$2000 annually, assuming a floating price for carbon emissions as low as \$6 per tonne. Federal cabinet has agreed to fast-track the planned introduction of an emissions trading scheme to July 1, 2014. As the Greens labelled Mr Rudd a "fake" who acted "cowardly" on climate change after declaring it the "great moral challenge of our time", Mr Bowen today said the government would now hunt for savings to find the "several billion dollars" needed to fill the revenue hole from fast-tracking the switch.



Abbott: carbon switch a 'con job' Source: Supplied

He said the industry assistance package announced with the carbon tax would be "recalibrated" to match the changes. But he dismissed suggestions he would be rolling out an austerity program to fund the policy change, saying the household assistance package was protected and any decisions would have cost of living at the "front of mind". Mr Bowen said balancing the budget in 2015-16 required "sensible but tough decisions" and the government had moved to alter the policy to suit the changing economic conditions.

He confirmed the household savings could be as much as \$150 annually for some households depending on how much power they use. "Families will see a big benefit in what we are bringing forward," he said. The Opposition Leader labelled the policy switch a "cob job", saying Labor cannot be trusted on the policy area. "The re-election of the Labor government would mean that Australians will continue to pay the carbon tax," Mr Abbott said.

"Mr Rudd can change the name but whether it is fixed or floating, it is still a carbon tax. "The announcement today that the Government will bring forward planned changes to the carbon tax by one year is just a Kevin Rudd con job - fixed or floating, it is still a carbon tax." Mr Bowen said Mr Abbott wanted to tax Coles and Woolworths and other big companies to subsidise polluters, with the costs flowing through to shoppers. "We are not going to be lectured by Mr Abbott on cost of living pressures when he is proposing a great big new tax," he said.



Greens leader Christine Milne with MP Adam Bandt. *Source:* news.com.au

Greens Leader Christine Milne said Labor would not have done anything on climate change without the Greens. "It is cowardly," she told ABC's Insiders program. "If you believed that climate change was the greatest moral challenge of our time, and it is, we are living in a climate emergency, you would now not be moving to have the big polluters pay less. "That is what Kevin Rudd is doing. It is all about politics and not policy."

<http://www.perthnow.com.au/news/special-features/tony-abbott-says-labor8217s-switch-to-an-emissions-trading-scheme-is-a-8216con-job8217/story-fnho52ji-1226679138317>

