**2012: Public meeting on Democracy & Rule of Law in Sri Lanka at Monash University, Clayton**

The aim of the meeting was to raise awareness and understanding of the public about the current situation in Sri Lanka.

Guest Speakers:

Basil Fernando, Executive Director, Asian Human Rights Commission

Brito Fernando, Co Convener, Platform for Freedom and Chairman, Right to Life

**2010: Community get together at Burgher Association Hall, Clayton**

**2009: Public Meeting on Human Rights and Media Freedom in Sri Lanka**

The meeting was held at Monash University, Caulfield Campus to remember Lasantha Wickrematunge, the slain editor of the Sri Lankan independent newspaper, Sunday Leader, and Winner of the UNESCO World Press Freedom Prize 2009, who was brutally assassinated in January 2009, as well as other murdered or incarcerated journalists.

Keynote speakers were distinguished human rights campaigners from Sri Lanka, Dr. Paikiasothy Saravanamuttu, Co convener Platform for Freedom, Executive Director, Centre for Policy Alternatives and Mr. J C Weliamuna, Co Convener Platform for Freedom Executive Director, Transparency International Sri Lanka, Attorney-at-Law & leading human rights and anti-corruption activist

**2009: Community Meeting at Pinewood Primary School**

**2008: Sri Lanka Community Dialogue – Coordinated by Centre for Dialogue, Latrobe University**

An important outcome of these dialogues was a decision by all the participants to establish a Working Group whose task it would be to organise a number of events and projects that would bring together the different Sri Lankan communities in Melbourne.

**2008: Community Get together: Refugee Week Celebration**

**Hosted by the People For Human Rights & Equality, the Darebin Ethnic Communities Council and Lentil as Anything. Meeting followed by l**ive music and dinner to welcome 83 young Sri Lankan asylum seekers who were the last boat people detained in Nauru Detention Centre before its closure.

**2007: Community Meeting “Peace is Sharing” sponsored by Victorian Multicultural Commission**

Keynote Speakers: Professor Joseph Camilerri, Director, Centre for Dialogue, Latrobe University, Melbourne and Professor

The aim of the meeting was to bring together Sri Lankan communities to discuss, in a social environment, options for Sri Lankan expatriates to contribute to a peaceful and honourable settlement to the conflict in Sri Lanka.

**2007: Screening of “In Search of a Road” at Monash University: a story of war and peace, of travel, mobility and displacement, a story of connections and collapse.**

**2006: Community meeting at Essex Heights Primary School, to discuss the situation in Sri Lanka**

**2002: Cultures in Harmony Concert at Kel Watson Theatre, Forest Hill (Sponsored by VMC)**

The aim was to bring all Sri Lankan communities together to express solidarity to the peace process in Sri Lanka.

**2002: Discussion on Peace Process in Sri Lanka at Monash University at Clayton, jointly organised with Uthayam newspaper.**

**1998 – 2002: “Shakthi Radio program on 3CR Radio**