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## DAVE TOLLNER MUST COME CLEAN ON **SO-CALLED INDEPENDENT STUDENT CANDIDATE: IS HE A FRONT FOR TOLLNER?**

NT ALP secretary, George Addison has called on the CLP Member for Solomon, Mr David Tollner to explain his involvement with a so-called independent candidate – who is a former staffer.

The NT News today reported that the former staffer was running as an independent against Mr Tollner.

The NT ALP is alleging that there is a secret deal with the former staffer to "collect" preferences for Mr Tollner.

Jacques Chester is also a student Liberal who was active at Charles Darwin University and the University of Sydney since - at least 2000.

This so-called 'independent' ran in student elections at the University of Sydney as a Liberal.

A quick check of the Australian Liberal Students Federation still lists Jacques Chester as the Liberal Club contact for the Northern Territory. http://www.alsf.org.au/alsf/clubs.aspx

The question is clear. Why would Mr Chester – who lives in Perth – want stand in Darwin as an independent?

This is the oldest trick in the book. Get someone to run from outside as a candidate and get them to direct preferences to you. This is all about CLP tricks.

The CLP are cunning and will do anything during an election campaign.

Dave Tollner has to explain to the people of Darwin and Solomon:

- > Is Jacques Chester a 'front' to funnel preferences to Dave Tollner?
- > Who is paying for Mr Chester's leaflets, materials and how to vote cards?
- > Why is Jacques Chester suddenly running for Solomon when he lives thousands of kilometres away in Perth?

Top Enders don't like having the wool pulled over our eyes.

It's time for Dave Tollner to 'fess up and give us some straight facts.

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