

Book of Daniel unread Jamie First

Premier-in-waiting Daniel Andrews took to the streets of Frankston yesterday, baiting rogue MP Geoff Shaw, and the man who has the job he wants, Denis Naphthine.

Mr Andrews called on Dr Naphthine to show some backbone and expel Mr Shaw from Parliament.

But it meant little to a large number of local residents, who were clueless about who the state Opposition Leader was.

Twenty-year-old Ash Ball said it was Mr Andrews' responsibility to become better known.

"I have no idea who he is," Mr Ball said.

"Politicians should do more to get people to pay attention to them."

Alison Connolly, 36, admitted while she should know who he was, she would struggle to recognise him.

"I've probably seen him on the telly, but I don't know anything about him."

Louise Whorlow, 64, added that despite her best efforts, she can't keep up with who's who.

The saving grace was Russell Kerr, 65, who said he "certainly" knew the name.

"I think he's an honourable sort of fellow and has good principles. He would make a good premier," he said.

Mr Andrews, speaking alongside Labor candidate for Frankston Helen Conostas and the deputy leader of the state Labor party James Merlino, said the "circus" surrounding Geoff Shaw could no longer be tolerated.

"Mr Shaw's willful and systematic abuse for his own personal profit is unprecedented."

He said he would move to oust Mr Shaw from parliament on Tuesday and called on the Premier to join him.

"It is the only thing that Denis Naphthine can do if he is to live up to the tough talk and the words of recent days.

"The people of Frankston can do better than Geoff Shaw. The people of Frankston deserve better than Geoff Shaw," Mr Andrews said.