

**Submission
No 130**

COMMUNITY SAFETY IN REGIONAL AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

Name: Mr Mike Blake

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Submission to NSW Law and Order Committee [REDACTED]

Wednesday 27 December 2023

Armed Robbery with the intent to Cause Grievous Bodily Harm

Victim: Mike Blake

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Broad overview;

Having driven into and parked my car in the Unit garage I alighted/stood up facing the roller door (at the rear of the car) and was confronted by a male person who demanded money.

He was holding a knife in his right hand, it was approx 300mm long parallel blade, one edge serrated with two prongs at the end. He was wearing a 'reddish collarless skivvy' the neck of which was pull over his head and up over his mouth and nose.

I stated that my wallet was on the back seat of the car and motioned to reach the passenger door handle.

In that instant the perpetrator lunged at me scraping and puncturing my left side between left arm pit and hip.

With my left hand I grabbed his right forearm attempting to push him away. Found he was extremely strong and I lost my grip.

The perpetrator lunged back at me, opening and wounding my left elbow, punctured my lower left forearm twice and slashed across my foreman close to left wrist. These actions result in an extensive loss of blood.

I guess in shock and while trying to stem the loss of blood the perpetrator vanished.

Outcome to date: The Police believe they have identified the perpetrator from CCTV 'footage' and strongly suspect he is a juvenile i.e underage.

At Interview with the Police I agreed to a DNA mouth swab and also submitting to fingerprinting.

The Police found the knife and reddish skivvy discarded the day after the incident. Both the Victims and Perpetrators DNA found on each item. I have been advised that mouth swaps to collect DNA samples from Juveniles under the age of 18 years, is prohibited by Law.

To correct this ridiculous situation and numerous other anomalies 'The Young Offender Act of NSW must be strongly reviewed or scrapped all together.

Mike Blake

Victim