

INQUIRY INTO FAMILY RESPONSE TO THE MURDERS IN BOWRAVILLE

Name: Mr Troy Duroux

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Partially Confidential

Dear Committee,

My name is Troy Duroux, I am the youngest brother of Clinton Speedy-Duroux.

I was 13 when my brother was murdered. Bubby was my hero, I idolised him. He could dance real deadly and would teach me a few moves. I never really talked about him to anyone; it took me nearly a year to talk about it to my wife, Kerry. I couldn't deal with it. I didn't know how to, was never told or learnt how to. I still don't really. So many times I got my hopes up about the case. When the bastard was charged, then again when he was charged with Evelyn's murder, then again when we helped overturn the double jeopardy laws, then again when Gary and Jason put the submission in to the DPP, and then again when we were represented by a great law firm, then again when a submission went before the Attorney-General. How do you keep up with it all? How do you continue feeling hope? Our families are strong but how much can we take?

I have seen what this has done to my Dad. My brother, Davo, wouldn't even go to Bowraville for 18 years after Bubby was gone. My brother, Marbuck, died before he saw justice for Bubby. It just doesn't seem fair to me. It shouldn't matter what colour you are, or what you believe, my brother was a young man, with so much going for him. Do you think I would be saying these things if he were a white boy who went missing after 2 white girls disappeared only months earlier? Do you think I would be talking at all if that murderous bastard were a black fella?

I never really said much about all this but since moving to NSW in 2006 and being involved in the cases and watching the grief from all the families, I am slowly learning to deal with most of it. The one thing I won't deal with though is no responsibility taken for the death of my brother.

I have since moved away from NSW with my own little family. As I see my children grow, I don't want to pass this legacy onto them. I don't want them to feel the pain that I have felt since I was 13 years old. I never want to see this to happen to another family. I just want Justice!

Yours sincerely
Troy Duroux

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