Message to Kevin on 4 May 2023

Dear Kev, my heart aches for you suffering from your PTSD. I wish I could be there for you. But sadly and tragically obstacles have been erected for reasons beyond my control.

I don't know exactly what you believe or on what basis, but it might assist in many ways to have some insight from me. That could alleviate your agonies and save Lachie from carrying a life burden unfairly misplaced upon him.

I was accused and charged with two counts of sexual intercourse of a child under 10 with potential sentences of life in prison. The specific description was deliberately penetrating his anus; and I was charged with doing this twice: so deliberately putting my finger right into (and up) his anus, pulling it out and then deliberately doing it a second time. All of this alleged horrifically traumatic assault was supposed to have taken place in the course of a quick wash followed by his return to jumping his bike and calling me out to watch and video him.

Is that what you unquestioningly believe? That's not meant to be accusatory in any way; just a little incredulous on my part.

Lachie felt my hand quickly wash his front and then felt my hand do an up and down movement between his bottom cheeks. In the same way that he had been washed before – as had you as a small boy. His six/seven-year-old language was then "translated" to create a series of events that simply did not happen.

He was obviously spooked by what he felt; and the reasons later became clear when it emerged that he had been imbued with a strong expectation that nobody should touch his privates, not even his parents when washing him. That's all documented.

It's instructive to take a look at what followed when Lachie told his mum. The immediate reaction was, first, to create a version of events and then to tell him grandpa should not have done that and that grandpa will never be allowed to visit again. Worse, Lachie was then asked to tell her again, with the same series of responses. Not a single syllable that might have sought to clarify or suggest an alternative narrative, like simply being washed in a way he did not expect.

Could I invite you to take a look at page 8 of Attachment E (Tab 6) beginning at Line 14 (numbered in the margin) of the documents in the link I sent you earlier. That's this link: http://www.motorcyclemeanders.com/scales.html

In fact, you might find it beneficial to read from page 6 of this document, appreciating that the reason the High Court declined special leave to appeal was manifestly to support the jury's (majority) verdict even though it's a reasonable assumption that the trial judge thought it was an unsafe verdict judging from his approach to sentencing, including his rejection of every attempt by the prosecution to push their barrow.

If you feel you would like to come and stay, spend a couple of days (no recriminations) you'd be very welcome.

To allay any concerns you might have about my contacting you, if I don't hear back from you, you won't hear further from me. I'll let you rest in your peace.

Love from your loving and forgiving father.