

Dallas and other Police

I have a bit of a thing about police these days, I didn't used to, prior to 4th May 2015, that was when I had two detectives from Melbourne, Nigel Freebairn and Angela Proietto, came to my home in northern NSW and threatened me in order to gain a DNA sample. Why? Good question, and one that no-one in officialdom will answer. Anyway, I do now have a problem with them but this story is well documented in News and Views, "The Story", at www.pwt.com.au if you are interested. However, ongoing events have caused me to seriously doubt the honesty and integrity of all police, not only the Australian ones.

The recent, what looks like to me, murder of two black guys, in two days, by white cops, on American streets, in two days has brought this on. I do believe one of these guys was a well known identity who had been selling CD's on the street, as a real job, and I do believe he was unarmed. Apparently he was the victim of a false allegation. The other was pulled over for having a taillight out. Other than that he had done nothing wrong – he was carrying a concealed weapon for which he was licensed. Apparently he was asked for his ID and when he went to his pocket to get it, he was filled with holes by a trigger happy cop who obviously had no self control and, therefore, in my opinion, should not have been out on the street.

Now to the point of this document.

After these shootings, there was a peaceful demonstration in Dallas but a renegade shooter took out a couple of cops. After this event I watched a press conference by the mayor and the chief of Dallas police. Three things struck me about the police chiefs blurb.

1. He had no prepared speech – which told me he was speaking from the heart. (This became a worry).
2. He said words to the effect that they wanted to speak to a shooter they had bailed up above a garage because they couldn't figure out a motive for the shootings. Now remember, this guy is the chief of Dallas police, two innocent black guys have been murdered by white cops in two days, this is a demonstration against that kind of behaviour, only cops were targeted in the shootings, so this was not an indiscriminate attack. And he is wondering what the motive is? The chief of police! I may be wrong about what I believe the motive could have been but I reckon an educated guess might just nail it, probably an uneducated guess would do just as well.
3. He then said, we must do everything we can to protect our police. And then, as if someone had put up a board for him to read, he said, oh, and the citizens. The citizens were an afterthought!

This guy was black, very articulate and sounded well educated - but I reckon he seriously missed the point somewhere along the line.

In Australia recently, in Victoria, we had a 51 year old woman picked up drunk on the street. She was taken into custody, capsicum sprayed, stripped half naked, kicked and left in a cell.

Now, I live on a 6 acre property in the country. On this property, I am not allowed, by law, to discharge a firearm. (If I had a firearm). But, in NSW even more recently, in a shopping centre in Sydney no less. A police person felt threatened by a person with a knife and discharged their firearm dropping the bloke with the knife and injuring four innocent bystanders. Protect the police at all costs but never mind the citizens.

What exactly what is it with cops these days? Is it that they want to flaunt the fact that they have the power? That is very Gestapo-ish. Certainly in Australia, the general public are not armed but the cops are armed to the teeth. At least in the USA there is a reasonable possibility a person on the street may be armed.

That's all I have to say on that one for the moment.