ABORIGINES IN A MULTI CULTURAL NATION

The Victorian government has a film from the early days of Caucasian immigration, which can be seen at Parliament House.

An Aboriginal tribe agreed that their corroboree could be filmed.

The men were adorned with white markings and danced in a straight line from one side to the other and back, in front of the camera which was in a fixed position.

The 255 year history since Caucasian immigration is a story of peaceful co-existence with Aborigines, who drifted from their nomadic lifestyle to work as stockmen and in many other fields. No Australian government was Hell-bent on ethnic cleansing, or declared war on them, or ordered the military to commit genocide.

The last Aborigines to come in from the bush were 2 women in Western Australia 65 years ago.

Government policy was assimilation, which was largely completed a long time ago. There were shocking atrocities and killings in the early days, which were against the law, and the murderers were increasingly brought to justice.

In the 21st century Aborigines are mostly blended and educated and working in all fields of endeavour. They are neighbours and workmates with the British and folk from most countries on Earth, and fought in both World Wars, and are no different to anybody else.

Now it's 13 generations since Caucasian immigration, and every Aborigine or part Aborigine in Australia is part of the general community and involved in sporting and community groups, the workforce, politics and the public service.

Every one of them has an income stream from their job, their business or from welfare support.

Of course we have our problems, which must be addressed.

Alcohol and pokies are ubiquitous.

Aboriginal women in the Northern Territory are 700% more likely to be the victim of wife-beating and murder by a vile, evil coward who promised to love and care for them until death do them part.

This is happening today in our modern legal rational democracy.

How do you stop the rot? Not so long ago the murderers would have been hanged. Jails should be universities with meaningful courses aimed at eliminating recidivism. Prisoners should be treated in a caring positive way, and not punished or demeaned to convince them they are a bad person.

Curiously the costly and divisive Voice Referendum was forced upon us, when every Australian already had free and equal access to our representatives in the 3 levels of government.

1. The Victorian Baillieu/Napthine government passed the Wurrung Aboriginal Corporation Settlement Agreement in 2013.

A band of 16 families who "identify" as Aborigines have rights over all government land including roads, from Daylesford to Wedderburn including Bendigo, 11% of Victoria's land mass. This is ludicrous and a racist rort.

These families are everyday citizens with an income stream.

If they lived in the bush doing corroborees, as per 255 years ago, they would be self-sufficient and not wanting an education, jobs and welfare support.

They should count their blessings as free and equal citizens, instead of asking for race-based advantages and gifts of multi-millions of taxpayers 'hard earned dollars.

2. This settlement agreement is a fundamental error, as the government holds ALL assets, including land and cash, in trust for ALL Victorians, not a tiny racial group.

This is racial discrimination against all who don't "identify" as Aboriginal, and appears to be unconstitutional.

All treaties and settlement agreements should be revoked without delay.

Land rights could apply to Aborigines in remote locations and limited to walking and camping on pastoral properties.

Government land is our communal government land and the Aborigines have nothing to cede.

3. The corporation of 16 families has been given \$17 million cash up front, including \$5 million to gamble on shares, plus the power to extort millions of dollars out of development applications and hold them up for 6 months.

A Tattslotto win every week or so.

Finite tax dollars should address desperate health needs and inequality, not straight-out gifts to a tiny group claiming racial privileges.

4. Australians voted overwhelmingly for no race-based advantages in their constitution AND THIS DEMOCRATIC VOTE MUST BE RESPECTED.

This is democracy, and some YES voters have naturally found it hard to accept.

I found it hard to accept the swing of 7.5% after The Dismissal of Gough Whitlam in 1975.

There is a belief among some that the people always get it right.

If the truth about treaties and settlement agreements were widely known the YES vote would have been minimal.



- 6. The Australian published a 3 page report on 3/6/2024 on Aboriginal treaties, exposing that Aboriginal groups have received vast amounts of gifts for nothing in return, from taxpayers and mining companies, and have almost ONE BILLION DOLLARS INVESTED \$1,000,000,000. Almost another billion dollars has been handed out to those lucky individuals [on top of their salary/welfare support/etc.]
- 7. Aborigines are checking out all applications for subdivision or development in Victoria within 200 metres of a water course and claiming a windfall. They received \$85,000 for a 3 lot subdivision and wanted an extra \$20,000 for a ceremony, a plaque and hire of 4 wheel drive vehicles.
- 8. Along the Murray River a farmer was driving Aborigines around his farm and they identified a midden. The farmer said "No, that's where I buried some hay."

 Then they spied a horizontal mark up a tree which they declared sacred. "No", said the farmer, "that's made by a machine I was towing behind my tractor."

9. Two young persons who identify as Aboriginal were paid \$4,000 per week to look at an excavation for a supermarket.

A compaction bulldozer ran over a piece of mudstone which had been buried 3 metres underground for over 419 million years [the Silurian period] making a scratch on it. The young couple declared it a sacred relic used to sharpen axes.

10. The country is extremely vulnerable, and on its knees with 60 days fuel and no manufacturing, yet we ran a referendum on giving a small group rights of access to parliamentarians which we all have already. Curious.

"The soils, water and air will be ruined beyond repair in 1990 if we don't cut pollution." - Professor Charles Birch in CONFRONTING THE FUTURE - 1975.

"We are beyond the point of no return" - Mary Cole on ABC Landline.

Time to grow up Australia.

Julia Gillard's price on carbon was reducing emissions.

- 11. Every time a factory is built on the Kilmore industrial estate, a new Aboriginal study needs to be done at a cost of tens of thousands of dollars.
- 12. Agnico Eagle Limited is grossing \$644,000,000 from its Fosterville Gold Mine every year. It has agreed to give the Corporation an unspecified slice of profits as a gift for nothing in return, and to give Aborigines preference over caucasians in employment.
- 13. In 2024 very few people believe religious dogma.

Aboriginal mythology is the religion of a tiny handful of people.

The Federal Court found recently that stories of Crocodile Man were confected.

Aborigines are free and equal citizens in today's society and not the masters of non-indigenous persons.

The country must not be held to ransom by stories of a birthing tree which changed the course of a freeway; secret women's business which cancelled the construction of a bridge, or the Great Serpent and other stories to blackmail and extort huge gifts from taxpayers and proposed developments.

We do not need college courses on Aboriginal culture. Everyone's history is equally important. Our kids are behind Singapore in science and other subjects.

14. Treaties in Canada and New Zealand were entered into from 103 to 185 years ago and many have expired.

The world has moved on.

The past is the past.

I have spent my life fighting for Aboriginal rights, being the right to be free and equal citizens, with the same opportunities and government benefits as everybody else. Not to become our masters. I'm now fighting to eradicate black and white disadvantage by eliminating poverty, by raising welfare support by 50% to the OECD average. We are the 6th most miserly of 38 OECD countries which is a disgrace in our very wealthy country.

15. The Victorian government has employed 4 persons to negotiate treaties, paying them \$385,000 EACH PER ANNUM, 8 times the minimum wage.

We must revoke all treaties and settlement agreements and stop creating them.

16. Lily Dambrosio, Minister for Environment, has announced an Aboriginal Renewable Energy Tax on wind and solar farms in Victoria, to stifle investment and hasten total environmental collapse and to cheer up her fossilised political donors.

Australians are fed up with Welcome to Country, announcements about persons who have died, and don't want to be locked out of the Grampians or anywhere else, for the benefit of a few seeking unearned largesse based on claimed race 255 years after Caucasian immigration.

All decisions are political and we all can join a political party.