Submission to Yoorrook Justice Commission

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What does it feel like to be an Aboriginal person living in Victoria?

Disengaged, as I am not "local" i am marginalised as not belonging, as I travel country why should I have to buy a permit from a mob to pass thru country, should my voice not carry the same away as home with respect to others that I also expect to be shown.

What are the most important things you want people to know about your experiences?

That we all live together but allow a few big mouths to show us all in poor light instead of telling them shut up and sit down, discuss don't dictate, also that truth has real meaning, not something that is convienient or manufactured to suit a circumstance.

What does self-determination look like to you?

A poor substitute for real life, if you want a nation to become nothing but families taking for themselves and squabbling to the detriment of others go ahead. When you have two systems governing two seperate races living in one space there can be no accord especially when an absolute minority wants more say and control at the others expense than can ever be justified. Comes a point where a wailing petulant demanding child has to be made aware that their privileged lifestyle can be taken away.

What changes do you want to see for your children and grandchildren?

I want them to take responsibility for their own action and realise that consequences are real. That history is is in the past and while lessons can be taken time cannot be turned back. I want future generations to work for betterment not repatriations for historical wrongdoings. I want them to be better.

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