

DETECTIVE SENIOR CONSTABLE GRAY

Q1 Now this is an electronically recorded interview between Detective Senior Constable Stuart Gray and Senior Constable David Key at the Victorian Police Air Wing, Essendon, on Saturday, the 17th of April, 1999. Also present, seated directly opposite me, is Senior Constable David Upston from the New South Wales Water Police. The time on my watch is now 8.50am. As I already explained to you, David, we're making inquiries in relation to the 1998 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race and part of our tasking is to speak to those involved in the, the various rescue organisations during the, the actual incident. So first if I could just get you to state your full name?

A O.K. My name is David Ernest Key, I'm a Senior Constable of Police stationed at the Victorian Police Air Wing. My role here is senior air observer and my role on the day, or the 2 days of the Sydney to Hobart, I was the rescue crewman.

Q2 O.K. And your date of birth?

A Is 23rd of the 11th, 1954.

Q3 O.K. Just some background experience. How long have you been with the Victorian Police for?

A 15 years in the Police Force.

Q4 And how long in the Air Wing?

A 9 years in the Air Wing.

Q5 O.K. Now you said you were rescue crewman on board Pol-Air 1 - - -