

STATEMENT in the matter of:
Launceston
Death of Bruce GUY

Place:

Date : 3 January 1999

Name: Roslyn Faye GUY
Address: 19 Pitten Crief, Riverside
Occupation: Home Duties

Tel. No.: 03 63273594

STATES:-

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

2. I am 52 years of age.

3. I am currently residing at the above address with my son Mark GUY. I have lived in that house for the last 30 years. I married Bruce GUY 31 years ago, February, 1968. We had two children as a result of our marriage.

4. Bruce was a member of the local Yacht club for the last 35 years. He came from a sailing background. He owned a flying dutchman as a child and he designed a built a steel yacht racing boat. He had done lots of crewing for other yachtsman. He lived on the water as a child. He purchased the Naiad in 1994. He spent almost every weekend on the boat anchored somewhere. The 1998 Sydney to Hobart Yacht race was his third.

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5. Bruce was the General Manager of David SHEPHARD, it is a company which makes connections for water mains. He been with the company for the last 12 years. He was previously with ACL Bearing company.

6. Bruce and the crew left in the yacht on the 18th of December,1998. They sailed from Beauty Point in Launceston. I was at the jetty when they left. Bruce was in regular contact with Bruce while he was away. On the morning of the race he contacted us. He left a message on the answering machine. The 18th of December,1998 was the last time I saw Bruce.

7. Bruce was on Losec for reflux. He had a number of tests done at the Hospital. He was told that he would be fine if he continued taking the medication. He had a bad knee it was an old football injury. Generally he was fairly healthy.

8. He had checks in relation to high blood pressure. I believe he had a number of checks in relation to hight blood pressure. He was under immense stress from work. I was not aware that there were any problems with his heart.

9. Bruce was always very happy and he was a dedicated family man. He always enjoyed everything he did, he was determined and always gave everything to what he was doing. He always put others before himself. He always encouraged every member of the family. He was well thought of in the community. I remember he gave up his own yachting career for 12 years while he helped the kids get on with their sailing. He made most of the boat for the kids and for other

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people.

10. The night the crew from the Naiad came home from Eden, I think it was the 28/12/98 Steve WALKER came, who was on the boat came over to our place. He told me what had happened. He was very good he spent a couple of days with us before going back to his own family.

11. I would like to ask the NSW Coroner to have an inquest into Bruces' death. I feel it may help in ensuring in the future this type of thing can be avoided. I think safety issues can be looked at and anything else which may help.

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