

## We The People

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The Organic Ms Hanson



Good day to you. Recently I had morning tea at my home with the assiduous Pauline Hanson. I arranged the meeting as Ms Hanson has always intrigued me as being quite different to most others in Australian politics. Let me explain. She first burst on the scene in 1996 when political correctness was at its zenith, a period in time many of us would later regret. It was a time when if you opened your mouth and mentioned anything about maintaining our culture you were immediately branded a racist and a bigot which was simply ludicrous. In Australia it seems free speech must be approved first by the publically funded and hopelessly biased ABC before *we the people* can even hope to have an opinion. The ABC have been prime movers in promoting political correctness and are instrumental in denigrating anyone they don't agree with. So Pauline Hanson started speaking out and sure enough she was branded a bigoted fish and chip lady of no worth in the minds of the shallow politically correct elite. These self appointed fools need this silly notion of political correctness to bring meaning to their hollow lives and common sense is the first casualty. I remember this time well and the colossal following Hanson garnered in the ensuing years. Her message resonated with many Australians and galvanised society into two camps. Those who believe in free speech and those who don't.

Now back to my morning tea with the ubiquitous Ms Hanson. When the door bell rang I was greeted by a smiling well presented woman who brought with her a small bag of Anzac biscuits which she baked earlier that morning. What I didn't realise was that it set the tone for the next few hours, in that, I soon realised Pauline Hanson is a very down to earth Australian who cares deeply for this country and has a definite view on Australia's future. I guess if you value the cohesive effect Anzac Day has on Australia then you must also value our culture and history. I asked her what she wanted for Australia in say 100 years. She thought for a moment and then said "***we must be self sufficient in food and we must not be a nation of bed turners for others***". That was a pretty good insightful answer for someone who has been pilloried for expressing her view on sensitive matters and has paid an extraordinary price for exercising her democratic rights. She even endured the slammer after witnesses perjured themselves against her in Court.

I learnt she still does much of the manual labor around her farm and that at one time she helped her then partner as a plumber, putting up guttering and digging trenches and you won't find many of those organic people in parliament. Ms Hanson really does get it when it comes to ordinary proud Australians wanting peaceful rewarding lives. She doesn't want Islamic Sharia law to gain a foothold and she doesn't want anymore immigrants from middle east countries because she says, "***they don't fit in by choice***". She is fearless in demanding people should integrate and assimilate else we lose all we have fought for. Pauline Hanson is ferocious in her belief that our country is off the rails in so many ways and that freedom of speech is lost along with national navigation. I found her to be endowed with common sense even if she doesn't have all the academic qualifications which in my view, is a breath of fresh air. Pauline Hanson appears not to have any hidden agendas and in any case her eyes are a dead giveaway when you tread a sensitive path. Here is a person who knows her limitations and has no regrets which I found astonishing. Sure she wishes things might have been different but no regrets and I think that indicates an inner strength many would aspire to. A question I ask many folk when they're at ease is, "***are you happy***" and the result is always revealing and so it was with Pauline. She paused for a moment then responded with, "***yes, I'm very happy but not content***". When fleshed out that meant she feels a drive to push on in politics and try and make a difference and she will when the next Senate election occurs. I asked if she had any other work in mind.....she laughed and said "***you have to be kidding, I'm Pauline Hanson and I'm unemployable***". That lucid, down to earth attribute was my inspiration in naming this narrative "***The Organic Ms Hanson***" which somehow seems suitably forthright in this recyclable world. Milton Burle once said.....***If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door*** and I suspect that's what our irrepressible ranga, Pauline Hanson, is doing now. In the meantime I have put my order in for more Anzac biscuits..... **Until next time this is Kent Bayley**

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