

Jones says Gillard's dad 'died of shame'

JONATHAN MARSHALL

VETERAN broadcaster and 2GB host Alan Jones has claimed Prime Minister Julia Gillard's father died of "shame" because of the political "lies" his daughter told. He told a group of 100 Young Liberals that John Gillard's death was the fault of his proud child.

He went on to suggest Ms Gillard's tears of grief, for a man she publicly said she "will miss for the rest of my life", were what sparked a sudden leap in political polling for her.

Mr Gillard, a former psychiatric nurse, died in Adelaide on September 8, age 83.

The remarks occurred during Mr Jones' 50-minute speech at the annual \$100-per-head Sydney University Liberal Club President's Dinner, on the top floor of Sydney's Waterfront restaurant in The Rocks last Saturday.

After referring to Ms Gillard's track record with telling the truth to voters over issues including the carbon tax, Mr Jones said her father's death was caused by the Prime Minister herself.

"The old man recently died a few weeks ago of shame," Mr Jones told a group of party members and MPs, including Alex Hawke, Ray Williams and Sussan Ley.

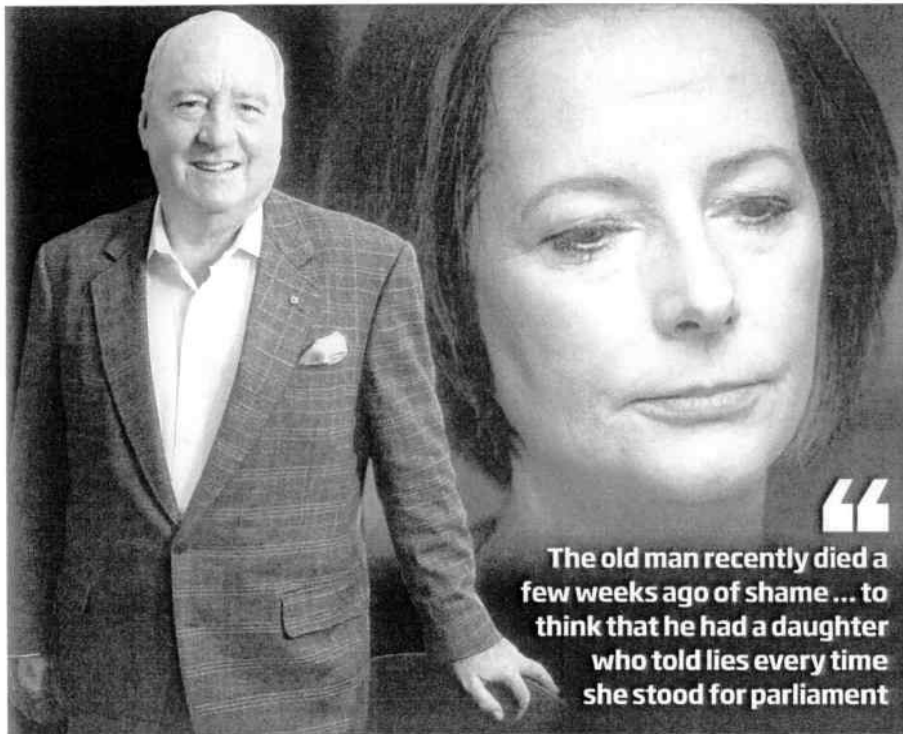
"To think that he had a daughter who told lies every time she stood for parliament. Every person in the caucus of the Labor Party knows that Julia Gillard is a liar."

Some members of the audience gasped with surprise.

Theradio star went on to say Ms Gillard had enjoyed a recent spike in polls sparked by her tears. He also said she was being given an easy ride by the "brainwashed" Liberal Party who had backed down because she was a woman.

Organisers of the dinner were not aware a journalist from *The Sunday Telegraph*, who had purchased a ticket, was present.

While paying tribute to her father in parliament on September 19, Ms Gillard spoke of the rough and tumble of



Tirade of abuse on airwaves

JONATHAN MARSHALL

ALAN Jones cannot stand Julia Gillard.

The former Wallabies coach has previously suggested the prime minister should be thrown out to sea in a chaff bag, ridiculed her on live radio for arriving late to an interview and even called her a liar.

During a now infamous February 2011 interview on 2GB, Jones made it clear to the Labor leader that being 10 minutes late was not on.

"Ten past seven is 10 past seven isn't it?" he said.

"I can understand you may not want to come on or you can't come on but surely courtesy has to be part of the way in which the public are treated."

She apologised and said a previous media commitment was the reason for being late.

During the 30-minute exchange, in which the carbon tax was the hot topic, Mr Jones said Australia was being headed by a liar.

"Do you understand, Julia, that you are the issue today, because there are people now saying your name is not Julia but Ju-liar and they are saying that we've got a liar running the country?" he said.

Days later Ms Gillard told the ABC's Q&A show that she could not say on national television what she thought of Mr Jones.

"Some words you probably can't use on the ABC, even at this time of night. I think it would be a bad result if tomorrow people were (watching) TV, and then the prime minister said 'beep, beep, beep'."

Mr Jones once unsuccessfully sought Liberal pre-selection for the NSW seat of Earldwood.

politics and how that affected the family.

She said her father "felt more deeply than me, in many ways, some of the personal attacks that we face in the business of politics, but I was always able to reassure him that he had raised a daughter with sufficient strength not to let that get her down".

Mr Jones made several mentions about why Liberal leader Tony Abbott should be Australia's next PM.

"His overweening weakness is his humility. You will never ever hear this bloke argue his ability, his virtue, or indeed his competence," he said.

"He is a man of incomparable integrity and conviction."

The broadcaster said it was

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vital every member of Mr Abbott's party united behind their leader in the lead-up to the election. Mr Jones said some members of the Labor caucus were scared of the Liberal leader and others thought he was sexist.

Yesterday Mr Jones did not respond to approaches from *The Sunday Telegraph*.

The event was staged by Sydney University Liberal Club president and aspiring MP Alex Dore. Mr Jones has endorsed his political endeavours.

Mr Williams would not be drawn on Mr Jones' remarks.

"I will just let this one go through to the keeper, the room was a bit a noisy at the time. I can't remember him saying it," he said.

Fellow MPs Mr Hawke and Ms Ley could not be reached. Mr Abbott had previously expressed his condolences for the Prime Minister.

"This is a tragic time for (Ms Gillard) and we all feel for her at this very sad time," he told parliament. "It is a remarkable parent who produces a prime minister of this country."

During the five-hour event, three spoof songs were sung by Young Liberals member Simon Berger, Woolworths' government realtions manager.

Man stabbed in stomach

A MAN was taken to hospital after he was stabbed in the stomach at a park in Sydney's southwest.

Police said they found the 34-year-old Elderslie man holding a jumper to his wounded stomach in Mawson Park at Campbelltown about 3.45pm on Friday.

He was treated by paramedics at the scene and taken to Liverpool Hospital.

A spokeswoman for Liverpool Hospital said the man's condition was stable.

Police searched the area but did not find a weapon. Anyone with information should contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Friendship survives \$500,000 horror crash

CAROLINE MARCUS

AN INTERNATIONAL student who lent his \$500,000 car to a mate says he's relieved his friend survived after the Lamborghini was turned into scrap in a horror smash.

RMIT engineering student Brendon An, 23, gave his silver Gallardo LP 550 to Will Shao, 20, while they were in Sydney for the weekend.

Mr Shao and a cab collided on Parramatta Rd, Camperdown, yesterday morning. The cars crashed into a wall and a pole.

Mr Shao, a Chinese student studying a foundation course at RMIT, was trapped for two



The Lamborghini wrapped around a light pole



Owner Brendon An Pictures: Gordon McComiskie

hours. His female passenger, a 19-year-old friend, was trapped for one hour.

Both were taken to Royal Prince Alfred Hospital. Mr Shao was in a stable condition in intensive care with a broken leg but his passenger was

discharged after a few hours. The cabbie, 36, was taken to hospital for observation and his male passenger had a minor hand injury that did not require hospital treatment.

Mr An said his mate had called him from the accident

to tell him what happened. "I was worried about my friend — I don't worry about my car," he said. "It doesn't matter. At least he's alive."

The car was a gift from his family in China, he said. Witnesses said it was lucky

the pair managed to escape the crash alive.

One witness, who was involved in the rescue, said the airbags had not deployed.

"The car was crumpled in a very unsafe manner," the witness said. "It was a very serious accident. The driver was lucky to get out alive. His leg was totally ripped apart."

Mr An said he did not know the full circumstances surrounding the accident but was waiting to hear from police, who say they are investigating the accident.

He said the late-model car had been a gift from his family 12 months ago and had been bought from a Sydney dealer.

have newest mental illness

Digital generation struggles to switch off

FAITH AIRO

SOME days, eight-year-old Hunter Brossman wakes at 5.30am to power up his laptop and play his favourite game, Minecraft.

But today, in the middle of the school holidays, it has been a later start - 7.05am - for the lower north shore primary school student, who says he spends hours each day glued to a screen.

"I have had a computer since I was about four and now I use dad's old laptop, an iPod and mum's iPad, which I technically use more than she does," he says.

His parents, Pam and Steve, run a digital business from home and enforcing a rule of no technology before 9am has proved to be difficult for Mrs Brossman, as working across international time zones means that she needs to be continuously online.

"I am dealing with global market places so I will be on my laptop at 6am. It is hard to say no to Hunter when I am setting the example."

"The (home) environment really does impact on how much kids use

technology. I have friends that are more old school and their kids are not using technology to near the extent that Hunter does."

"Hunter has actually got most of these kids onto games because they come over for play day and then they go home wanting to play more."

Computers are used in Hunter's classroom but the addictive Minecraft game is a no-go zone, leaving Hunter daydreaming about the cyber world that awaits him at home.

"[Minecraft] is a blocked site at school because it has a little bit of fighting in it. I often think about ... what I'm going to create and so I'm not really focused in class," he says.

Mrs Brossman is torn as to whether her son's constant use of technology is a positive or a negative but finds it more convenient to monitor Hunter than limit his use.

"They want [technology] so bad that Hunter will even clean his room to be rewarded with more time online," she says. "It is really up to mums to keep track of the time and that is where it becomes naughty because if I've got a deadline, Steve is not here and I can't get a play date in the school holidays, then it sometimes can become a babysitter."

While Mrs Brossman's time-keeping might be fairly lax, her attitude to protecting Hunter from

adult content online is stringent. "Some of these games sites cater for young kids but they also cater to older kids and that totally worries me and so, that is why he is only allowed to play pre-downloaded games on the laptop and iPad, and is not allowed on YouTube without me being in the room."

"I am very strict with what he is allowed to play and he knows that if he does one thing wrong that I see then he just loses rights to that."

Hunter takes a more laidback approach to the prospect of having his digital devices confiscated.

"It wouldn't be that bad because I would just annoy mum and she would ... give it all back to me".

Picking up pieces after 'sexting'

FARRAH TOMAZIN

HUNDREDS of children are seeking crisis counselling every month after having sexually explicit images of them or their friends sent out via the internet or mobile phone.

Figures from the Kids Helpline reveal children as young as 10 are increasingly turning to the free counselling service to cope with the trend.

The group's data suggests that between January and March this year about 500 counselling sessions were offered to children who called with "sexting-related concerns".

A survey by the organisation also found that of about 1500 children, about 40 per cent admitted to being involved in sexting behaviour. Experts admit the survey is just the tip of the iceberg.

John Dalgleish, the strategy and research manager of Boys'own, which runs Kids Helpline, said: "For some young people, [sexting] is having a very significant impact on their emotional wellbeing. We need to look at better ways of diverting them from that behaviour, and educating and supporting them in relation to the risks involved."

Laws designed to target adults who sexually exploit children also apply to interactions between young people, such as the sending of explicit images using a phone or the internet.

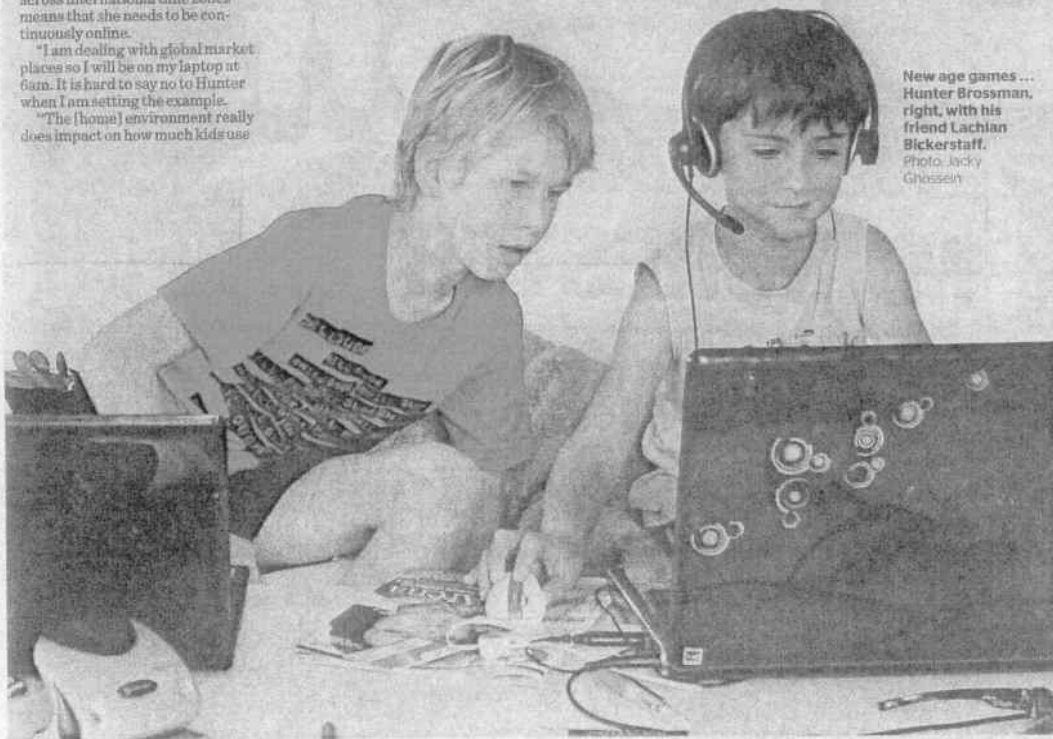
In a submission to a Victorian parliamentary inquiry, the Victorian child safety commissioner, Bernie Geary, said the laws were poorly suited to addressing issues arising from sexting and should be changed.

He said the distribution of child pornography or child abuse material was "repugnant and should be subject to significant criminal sanctions". But he said that conduct should be distinguished from "the consensual and private exchanges of images of young people".

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Are we robbing our children of a proper childhood by giving them easy access to technology?

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New age games ... Hunter Brossman, right, with his friend Lachlan Bickerstaff. Photo: Jacky Ghosein

Alan Jones claims Gillard's dad 'died of shame'

HEATH ASTON STATE POLITICAL EDITOR

THERE are calls for a boycott of radio station 2GB over remarks by broadcaster Alan Jones that the Prime Minister's father, John Gillard, had "died of shame".

The talkback host told a packed room of Liberal Party members: "Everyone in the Labor caucus knows Julia Gillard is a liar. The old man recently died a few weeks ago of shame. To think that he has a daughter who told lies every time she stood for Parliament."

Jones went on to claim the media had somehow brainwashed the federal Liberal Party to go easy on the Prime Minister because "she's a woman".

"No, no look, hang on, this is where we are weak. This is where we are weak," Jones said. "Can you

believe that they have gone, the federal party, because they've been brainwashed by the media to 'oh back off, she's a woman, go easy'?"

Hundreds of people took to social media last night to condemn Jones's remarks. A list of advertisers on 2GB was being circulated, with calls for those companies to boycott the Jones show or 2GB altogether if he is not removed or disciplined.

Jones's comments were recorded at a \$100-a-head Sydney University Liberal Club President's dinner held at the Waterfront Restaurant at The Rocks last Saturday. The club tweeted the next day: "Brilliant speech by Alan Jones last night. It's no wonder he's the nation's most influential broadcaster!"

Attendees at the function were

running for cover last night, with two leading Liberal Party members telling *The Sun-Herald* they had not heard the comments, despite listening to Jones's entire 50-minute speech.

State Liberal MP Ray Williams told *The Sun-Herald*: "It was a loud room and a long speech. I recall Julia Gillard being mentioned but not John Gillard."

Young Liberal President Simon Fontana, a staffer for Community Services Minister Pru Goward, also insisted he did not hear any claim that John Gillard had died of shame.

He said last night he had listened to the entire speech but did not hear anything about Mr Gillard's death.

Last year, Jones said of Ms Gillard: "I'm putting her into a chair

bag and hoisting her into the Tasman Sea."

Jones has also claimed her behaviour in imposing the carbon price "borders on the treasonous", and has agreed with one of his callers regarding Ms Gillard: "Yeah, that's it. Bring back the guillotine!"

Mr Gillard, 83, whom the Prime Minister described as her "inspiration", died in Adelaide this month after a long illness. "Above all, he taught me to love learning and to understand its power to change lives," Ms Gillard said. "He always regretted his family background meant he had not proceeded on to higher education as a young man. He was determined that I had the opportunities he was denied. I will miss him for the rest of my life."



Controversy ... Alan Jones's comments have created a furor.

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The faces of tragedy



Racing steward **James Perry**, 30, from Toowoomba, was last seen on top of his car after his wife **Jerry** and son **Ted**, 9, were winched to safety. He was recently reported dead by a friend who found his body in NSW and Victoria.



Jordan Rice, 13, could not swim but insisted his younger brother **Blake** be saved ahead of him when his family became stranded in their car in flash flooding in Toowoomba on Monday. The boy's mother, **Donna Rice**, 43, could not be saved. Rescuer **Warren McCrean** tried to save the family by tethering himself to a pole and swimming out to the submerged car. When he almost drowned, another man, known only as **Chris**, came to their aid. They managed to rescue **Blake** but, when they went back for **Donna** and **Mrs Rice**, it was too late.



Sandra Matthews, 46, and **Steve Matthews**, 50, died after spending their last minutes trying to save their children. Mr and Mrs Matthews helped their son **Sam**, 21, and daughter **Victoria**, 16, through a manhole in the ceiling of their home at Spring Bluff, north of Toowoomba, as the flood tore through their property. Family members said Mrs Matthews was close to making her escape but she was pushed into the water by a fridge. Mr Matthews, a former pastor and Mrs Matthews were known for their foster care work.



Joshua Ross, 25, a childcare worker from Grantham, stayed inside his house to care for his mother **Brenda Ross**, 58, who uses a wheelchair. Locals reported seeing their houses, next to the Grantham Hotel, "implode". Mother and son have not been seen since. Also missing is Mrs Ross's partner **Chris Fava**, 60, who was also reportedly in the house. "The house just collapsed" a witness said. "They said it was like an explosion. There was just debris everywhere." Friends of Mr Ross said they saw him clinging to a fire roof being washed downstream. He and his mother had moved to Grantham from the Newcastle suburb of Waratah.



Jessica Keep, 23 months, was swept from her mother **Stacey's** arms in the raging flood in Grantham. One of her grandmothers, **Dawn Rookie**, is missing, and the body of her other grandmother **Pauline Meagher**, 65, was found on Tuesday.



Farmer **Bruce Warhurst**, 50, was seen wading through the flood on his farm at Postmans Ridge on Monday. His house was last seen submerged to its roof. His wife, children and grandchildren left him to guard livestock while they drove to town for supplies.



Bruce Marshall, 67, a former farmer had lived in Grantham his whole life. Salvage crews found his body inside his home on Wednesday. Mr Marshall had called Edy Lagreca, Fiona, to tell her the water was coming towards the house.



Jesse A, was swept out of the arms of rescuers as his family was being winched from the floods in Minden, north of Ipswich. His father and older brother were all saved in Sunshine (unknown).



Llync, 31, was helping her fellow Grantham residents flee when a wave hit their truck, swallowing up Llync and two of her children, **Jocelyn**, 5, and **Garry**, 12. Husband **Garry**, 31, and other son **Zac** survived.



Grantham resident **Jean Gurr**, 58, was celebrating the birth of her great-grand nephew, **Austin**. But now the family is grief-stricken after Mrs Gurr's body was discovered on Monday. She is thought to have died when **Sandy Creek** flooded.

How to check

For missing relatives or friends, phone 1300 993 191. www.qld.gov.au/floods.

Uncertainty adds to pain of those left behind

THE MISSING

Tom Reilly and Peter Munro

THE ever-changing tally of those who are missing is adding to the frustration of residents who are waiting to learn the fate of loved ones.

Last night it stood at 28 with police expected soon to release the names of the two and the death toll. In the day the total was expected to rise to more than 50, some later.

"It's the not knowing that

really gets to you and the missing keep changing," said **Dave Abel**, who lives on a property on the outskirts of the devastated town of **Waratah**.

I remember the 1974 floods and I think the police handled it better than when they found a body they let people know and you get a better sense of what was going on."

Lack of news was especially frustrating for police because of early police in the

of these dead since they had been able to identify a body.

"Sally, many of the people who are missing and dead came from this area and I know this community just wants to be kept abreast of what's going on. Not adding to the toll of those that are lost as they find a body doesn't make any sense."

Operational Emergency Services Minister **Paul Fletcher** said people were offered support in the form of counselling and other services.

Asked if there was a large number of bodies that were yet to be identified and therefore not counted on the list of the dead, he added: "There are 10 bodies in a morgue, but my knowledge of the identification process happens pretty quickly so that's not the case."

Bruce Marshall, from Grantham, is one of the few dead to be formally identified in the coming days. He is reported to be 67 years old and his body was found in a boat.

\$55m in support but more needed

RELIEF APPEAL

Mark Russell

MORE than \$54 million has been donated for the victims of the devastating Queensland floods.

The Premier's Flood Relief Appeal has raised \$54,636,576, and counting. Big donations received include \$1.15 million from the Commonwealth Bank and \$1 million from Coles, the Queensland government, Ethad Airways, Tabcorp and Xstrata Queensland. Million-dollar pledges also came from the federal government, BHP Billiton, the NSW government, Origin Energy and Telstra.

On the Gold Coast yesterday Magic Millions owners **Gerry Harvey** and **John Singleton** turned the carnival into a \$1 million fund-raiser. In times like these your family extends beyond your immediate relatives to include your local communities... We hope the message

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gets through that we can here for you," Mr Harvey said. Customers at Coles, Bunnings and Pick n Pay stores have donated more than \$2.6 million. Woolworths customers have donated \$2 million for the Salvation Army Flood Appeal and will be matched, dollar for dollar, by Woolworths.

Red Cross spokesman **Greg Goebel** said the \$54 million was commendable but more was needed. "It was probably enough before Ipswich and Brisbane and the dreadful things that happened in the Lockyer Valley in recent days which sent shockwaves through the community."

The target needed to be at least \$100 million, he said. Muslims raised \$26,200 in 10 minutes during Friday prayers at Lakemba Mosque. Sheikh **Taj el-Din al-Hilaly** said he told the congregation: "Everything that you have is from the blessings of this country. These are our brothers; you have to donate generously to them."

Music promoter **Michael Gudinski** is working on a Sound Relief 2 concert, with Brisbane band **Powder** being nominated to be reuniting for the event.

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Man dies in mill tragedy

A MAN has died at a timber mill at Oberon, west of Sydney, as he carried on maintenance on machinery.

Police said it appeared the 48-year-old Bathurst man had become caught in a machine at 11.30am on Friday.

The man suffered serious injuries that led to his death, officers said.

The Bathurst Police Rescue squad made the gruesome discovery and removed the man from the machinery.

An investigation has been launched and a report will be prepared for the coroner. Investigators from WorkCover will also attend the mill next week.

Elderly lady lying by road

POLICE are searching for police assistance after an elderly woman was found injured and lying in the middle of Sydney's west last week.

The 74-year-old woman was found by a passing motorist on the southern strip of Tullahoma in Hornsby Park at 5.30pm on Tuesday.

She had a number of injuries, including a fractured wrist and fractured ribs.

The woman was taken to Liverpool Hospital for treatment but the motorist was not reported to police until Friday.

Police said the woman was unable to recall how the injuries occurred.

Bike chase man bailed

UNLICENSED motorcyclist got police in a high speed chase through Cootes.

Officers pursuing the suspect by following his bike and jumping over fences. Parramatta local court heard yesterday Justice Aligned Whittal took then reported his not agree missing - getting he had driver last day.

The 39-year-old was charged with leading a police pursuit, driving without a licence and false representation.

Justice was granted conditional bail.

It is to appear at Parramatta Local Court on February 16.

Exclusive: 'I'm getting through a day at a time'

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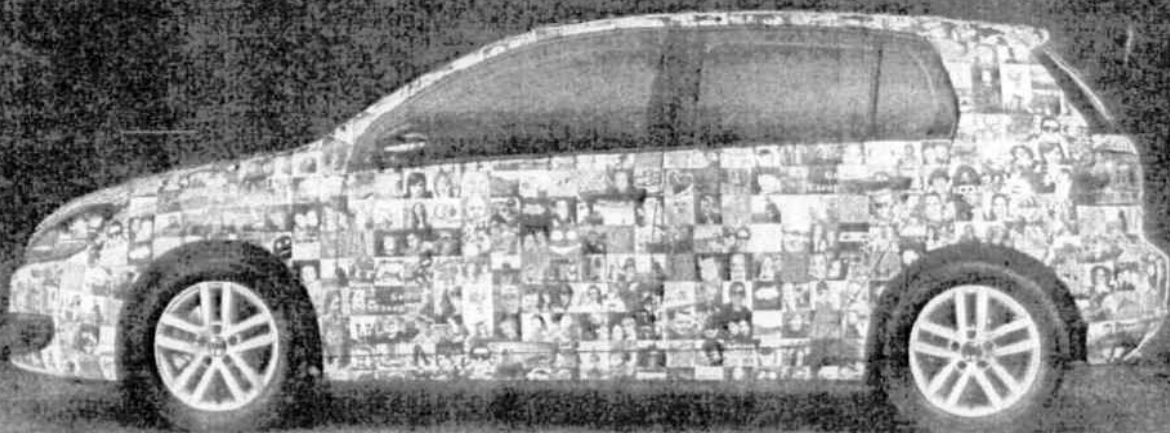
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Man dies in mill tragedy

A MAN has died at a timber mill at Oberon, west of Sydney, as he carried out maintenance on machinery.

Police said it appeared the 48-year-old Bathurst man had become caught in a machine at 11.20am on Friday.

The man suffered serious injuries that led to his death, officers said.

The Bathurst Police Rescue Squad made the grisly discovery and removed the man from the machinery.

An investigation has been launched and a report will be prepared for the coroner. Investigators from WorkCover will also attend the mill next week.

Elderly lady lying by road

POLICE are appealing for public assistance after an elderly woman was found injured and lying by the roadside in Sydney's west last week.

The 74-year-old woman was found by a passing motorist on the nature strip of Taubman Dr in Hornsby Park at 9.30pm on Tuesday.

She had a number of injuries, including a fractured wrist and fractured ribs.

The woman was taken to Liverpool Hospital for treatment but the matter was not reported to police until Friday.

Police said the woman was unable to recall how the injuries occurred.

Bike chase man bailed

AN UNLICENSED motorcyclist led police on a high speed chase through Cobbyton.

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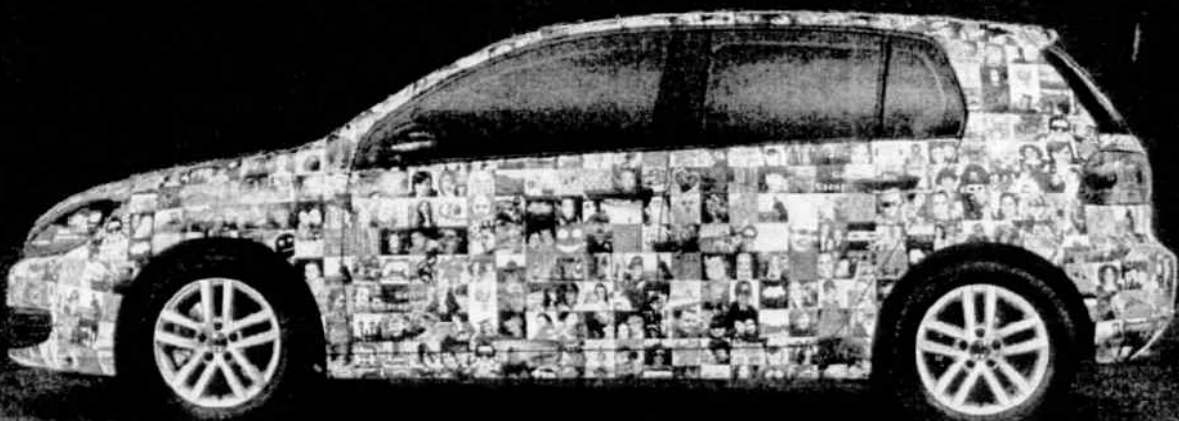
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