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EDITORIAL

After the world saw Artemis II splash down in the Pacific Ocean and humanity saw an opportunity for profound and unified change we have been brought back to reality by one Donald J Trump.

If people ever wanted clarification on the fact that Trump is a delusional nut bag then his attack on the Pope, yes the Pope confirms it! Trump has said he doesn't want a Pope that criticises the President of the United States which would lead many of us to say we don't want a world leader that thinks he's better than a Pope!

While Trump is having a crack at the Pope one of his key European allies Vitor Orban has lost the Hungarian election in a landslide. Former Australian PM Tony 'budgie smugglers' Abbott is also a big fan of Orban calling him, Trump with brains and while we're not sure which level of terrifying that is we'd definitely like to be a fly on the wall if the three of them ever got together for a beer.

Back in the land of Oz Albo has made himself a \$20 million ad that shows Aussies how to use less fuel. \$20 million! I mean has Anika Wells never explained how the internet works to Albo? Or hasn't he ever asked the E-safety commissioner what she does? It seems we could've saved a few million by using online advertising or at least showing Albo how Canva worked! Regardless of what kind of advertising Albo should've had imagine if he'd used that money to help fund communities in need or given it to farmers?! But then he would've upset the good folk at the ABC who have suggested that the government should be subsidising E-bikes! \$20 million on an ad campaign seems a touch high, do we know who made the ad? I bet they don't vote liberal or one nation.

In Victoria Jess Wilson has gone on 3AW to say how she's going to be using more gas and that her government will be going after interstate and overseas police officers to join the Victoria police. Neither of those things are a bad idea but while she's coming up with ideas she needs to be driving Labor's face in the dirt because they are indeed wounded. With Bendigo Barbie having several of her ministers quitting at the next election it looks as if the rats are escaping the sinking ship so if the Libs ever had a chance to stick it to Allan and her minions now is it.

And finally Coachella 2026 has officially spelt the end of the old school music festival. The influencers, the celebrities and the utter nonsense that is going on draws a very big line under the era of music festivals of roughing it and being packed in like sardines. To those that are there enjoy, but it won't be something Hoodies will ever cover.

TRUMP & THE POPE

In the last 100 years some of the leaders that have openly criticised a Pope include; Hitler, Putin, Castro and Mussolini, but now we can add Donald Trump to the list! Former US President Truman criticised Pope Pius XII over post war politics but this is the first time a US President has ever suggested a sitting Pope is; weak on crime and terrible at foreign policy. This was after Trump had said he didn't want a pope who criticised the President. Now it must be said that Trump has deleted his comments about the pope off his socials but the fact remains this man is a complete and utter nut bag!

But if we just look at Trumps comments we have to ask, how are Popes supposed to be hard on crime? In case Donald missed it, Popes are supposed to offer people forgiveness, make them repent their sins. This may be interpreted as being weak on crime, but that's his job! Foreign policy? I'm not sure Foreign Policy is on the Popes job description but one would have to say that if the pope did make comment about foreign policy it would be more around saying hey can we help the poor and the starving as a global community?

I was raised as a Catholic and while I am very much lapsed I still have a respect for the house of god and any other place of worship. Priests, Nuns, Rabbis, Monks, Muftis, Imans and Swamis to name a few all deserve respect and yet in one fell swoop Trump has insulted all of them. Who the hell, pardon the pun is this man that he thinks any of this is ok? And who's advising him? The toxic Roy Cohn is dead and yet Trump seems to operate in a world where he can do and say whatever he wants.

You have to ask how much longer can the world tolerate this man and his utter chaotic nonsense?! We wrote a piece the other day that suggested all this madness was part of a bigger plan to refocus America on America but really? What we are seeing is political suicide carried out by a president who seems to have absolutely no one around him to say, hey Don, mate we can't be having a crack the Pope! But there just doesn't seem to be any end to it and that's where the real worries begin!

Trump has two more years left on his presidency and you can't help but wonder if we'll survive, but for now it's lots of cringing and lots of hardship for many people right across the world thanks to a man who thinks it's ok to have a crack a Pope. What have we become?!

CAN THE LIBS FINALLY TAKE IT TO LABOR?

Can they? Well it has to be said if the Libs can't knock Labor off come November then they should just throw the keys to Pauline Hanson and leave it to her, but there are some signs of life.

The Libs like keeping amongst their own so it's regular trips to 3AW, Sky after dark, the Herald Sun and of its a national issue the Australian. So while Angus Taylor has been out not doing the liberal brand any favours having a crack at migrants for being self serving (unlike the libs obviously) Jess Wilson has been on 3AW.

It's never taken a rocket scientist to work out why Labor MP's don't really like going on AW but the Libs love it. Yesterday Wilson showed she has come a long way since becoming leader as she could flick away a question with a long winded non answer like a veteran but she did say that it would be more police and more gas. She was a bit hazy on firing back up oil and coal but it appears the young liberal leader has some of the priorities right.

Yesterday Jacinta Allan saw three of her key ministers quit which several months out from an election isn't a great look. It's true in more prosperous times the resignations of three key leaders could be seen as a job well done but given that the state is absolutely stuffed this is easily seen as rats abandoning the sinking ship. While it's not great for Allan it's an opportunity for Wilson to attack.

Back in the Covid days where we were subjected to the whims of a certain former premier the Libs had zero attack mentality. To beat Andrews you had to play at his level, be absolutely ruthless and be prepared to do what ever it took, the Libs never did and lost, but now have another shot and must be ruthless.

Wilson has great intention, the party itself is dysfunctional but if Wilson can develop a ruthless take no prisoners streak then maybe they have a chance in November. If however the Libs can't unify and can't find their ruthless streak they'll lose again and it'll be up to Aunty Pauline to try and take out Labor.

GOUT GOUT & RACISM

So Gout Gout is the Australian record holder in the 200m, he's the National Champion, he's 18 and he's Australian. He is the greatest sprinting talent we have ever seen and he is a future world and Olympic champion. They are facts, but it seems there is an element within this country that want to cut the boy down, suggest he's not an Australian and show that racism is alive and well in the land downunder.

When Jesse Owens ran in front of Hitler, when Rosa Parkes refused to sit at the back of the bus, when Ali floated like a butterfly and stung like a bee, when Willy Mays caught balls in the outfield and when Magic Johnson demanded he be paid what he was worth all these people took a stand and let their talent do the talking. They all knew that the colour of their skin was to some seen as offensive, was seen as something inferior but all of them plus countless others stood back and said as hard as it is, as upsetting as it is and as challenging as it is we are who we are. We are here to make a difference, to take a stand and to be who we are whether you like it or not!

The Gout Gout story has dozens of chapters to be written. Sadly one of the chapters will be about racism but right now all this young man, like many before him can do is let his actions speak louder than the words that any kind of racist can ever come up with.

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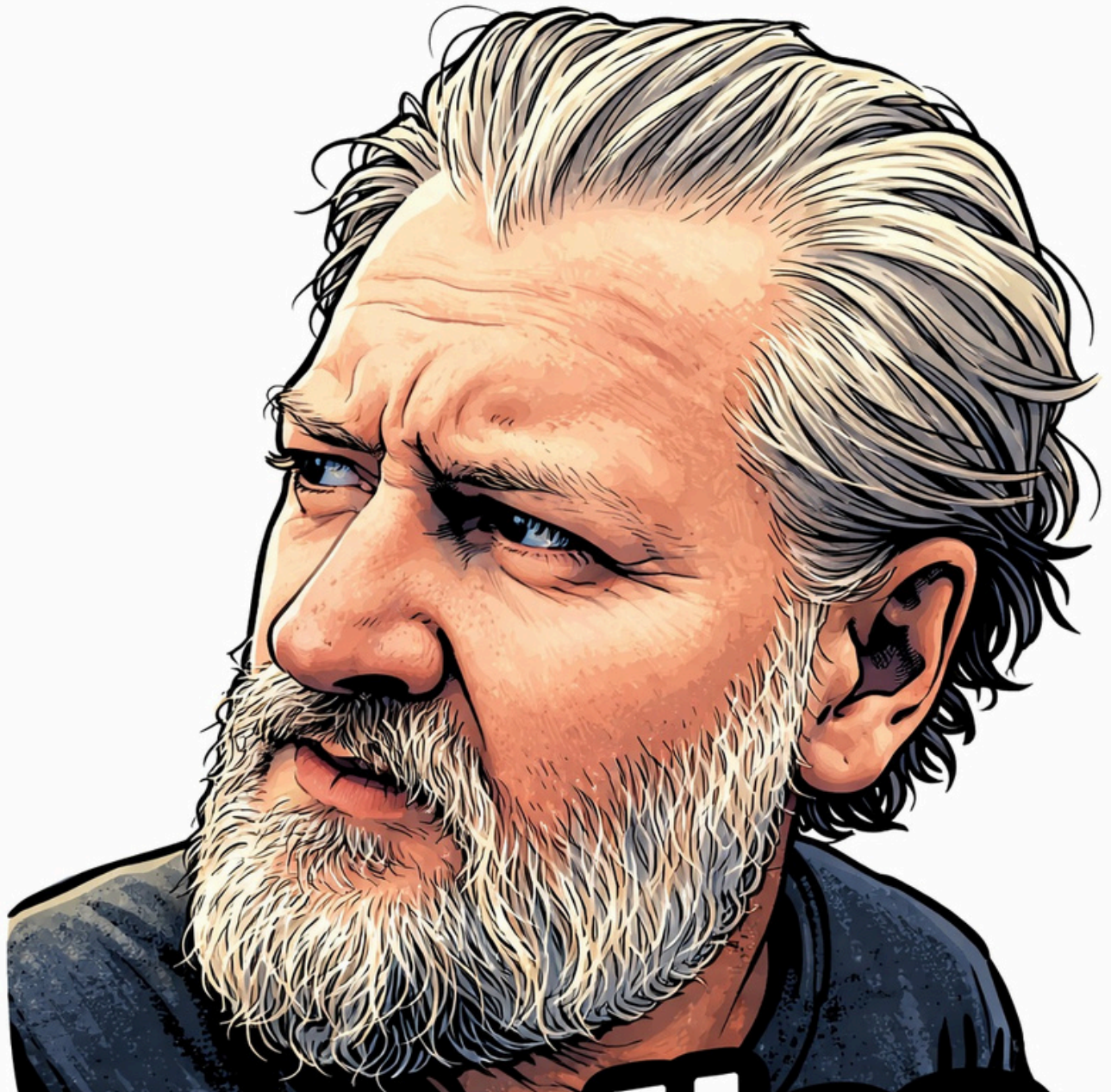
One of the sad realities of life is disappointment. Life unfortunately is not all rainbows and unicorns and we need to understand that disappointment and hardship will no doubt hit us in the heart but we have to accept it.

Running your own business with good intention leaves you massively vulnerable to people who don't have good intentions. It's a lesson you learn the hard way when your bills don't get paid or someone promises you something but nothing ever eventuates. Now don't get me wrong here both those things are ok and common in any kind of business but it's when people aren't straight with you that it becomes truly disappointing.

See, I've learnt the hard way that it is better to be totally upfront and brutally honest than it is to stuff around. Now my inner circle of people consists of, my wife, my youngest daughter and my 11 year old Kelpie and that's pretty much it. Yes to get to where I want to go with Hoodies Media that circle will have to grow, but right now why I have is fine, but the size of that circle is in direct correlation to the fact that people don't really like hard truths and in turn shy away from people like me that give it to them.

It's when we allow ourselves to be open to the influence of others or ply our wares that we can be let down or in regard to what we're talking about, disappointed. There have been a number of times in the last few weeks I've been disappointed and while some of it is on me we can't allow ourselves to live in a bubble. We have to be vulnerable and understand that other people might not be as upfront or be on the same page as us.

So here's to disappointment, here's to those that can't handle the truth and here's to picking ourselves up and going again, because we really can overcome anything if we put our minds to it.



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