

One of the things that became evident throughout my whole fundraising campaign, was the support of everyone for the quest, to highlight the sacrifice made by not only Dad, but all members of the Force that have passed, whether it be on duty or not. There was a constant air of respect, of people taking a couple of minutes out of their day to acknowledge the sacrifice of others. And it is for this reason days such as today become so important.

The remembrance doesn't have to necessarily be for just those that have passed either. If services such as this draw

attention to the fact that officers are out there daily for the security and safety of others, then I think it has fulfilled a major role beyond what we initially see.

There's no doubt that my family remembers daily the tragic events 27 years ago, and there's no doubt that every time I hear of another officer injured, attacked, or worse, that it stirs some pretty intense emotions, however it's not like this for everyone, thankfully, and this again highlights the importance of National Police Remembrance Day.

So for those that serve currently or have done in the past, I say thank you, and for

those that take the time to remember the officers that have paid the ultimate price, please continue to do so. It may seem like a small gesture to you, but for a son robbed of his Dad at four years of age, I assure you it means a lot.

The fact that there are so many in attendance exemplifies the importance of this day, and it has been a privilege and honour to stand before you all to give you some insight into what it means for my family and I.

Once again thank you for the opportunity and your attention."

# The Modern Melbourne Cup

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