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Subject: The morning after syndrome
Date : Wed, 31 Mar 2004 08:50:00 +1000
From : "Chris Morgan" <chrismorgan@austarnet.com.au>
To : <rob@timanddave.com>

Hi Rob,

Just got into my pc this morning after it decided to lock me out last night. Just one of the j
age. Thank you for your email. We'd already covered most points yesterday afternoon. However no
need to feel concerned over Quadrant's coverage. It goes with the territory and so long as there is
nothing blatantly inaccurate we will maintain a low profile as we should in this context.

Your frustrations with the Bulletin are shared by many - so welcome to the team. As a matter of interest
I've attached a copy of Monday's 'Crikey' column. Take a look at article 7. I'm sure you'll relate to it.

Look forward to catching up next week.

Best wishes

Chris M.

-----Original Message-----

From: postman@crikey.com.au [mailto:postman@crikey.com.au]
Sent: Monday, 29 March 2004 4:30 PM
To: jacem@iprimus.com.au
Subject: Late but good - Loads of NAB, councils, News spin, Nielsen and much more

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In today's sealed section we have the following items:

1. Democrats back Walter strategy
2. Three more takes on the NAB fiasco
3. Exclusive: ABC switchboard complaints over Wilko
4. Bye bye to Solution 6
5. News Ltd hires asbestos man for spin gig
6. Loads of angles on the council extravaganza
7. Gold Cost Bulletin defeated by the people
8. The Brisbane gerrymander?
9. Ben Oquist on preferences and 100 Greens

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Subject : re[2]: The Commonsense Candidate Resource
Date : Mon, 29 Mar 2004 21:28:00 +1000
Linked to : CHRIS MORGAN
From : <rob@timanddave.com>
To : CHRIS MORGAN <chris@quadrant.com.au>

Hi Chris

Had a long chat with Lionel today and have begun the process. He told me about the letter you've sent to Roy M. Well Done! Perhaps I should be writing to Roy also.

I'm just so angry with the Bulletin and the way they have twisted everything. Their coverage of the election has been lame at best and I believe they've missed a great opportunity to make some mileage out of the local elections. They should have in my opinion picked up 10 or 20 issues and run a day by day features and polls on each separate issue, with responses from each candidate and meaningful commentary from the respective councilors or council departments on

I've made contact with David, spoken to Bob and plan to catch up with Sue and Ted tomorrow. Unfortunately the Bulletin can't even record things properly let alone report on issues with-out twisting things.

Even in today's piece on Grant and I, the copy editor obviously cut some bits out and parts of the story, it didn't flow and one of the quotes made by Grant was attributed to me!

In relation to Quadrant I never told the Bulletin that I had declined your help, I actually stated that you and I had known each other for some time and because you had previous campaign experience and my team were all pretty green I intended to use you for strategic advice and in fact had met with you to review my plans early in the piece. What I did say was I declined to use your creative/art services because I had some mates in an agency in Southport helping me.

In relation to funding I actually told Alice Jones that I would welcome any financial support, including that of Developers provided it came with no strings and it came through my Campaign Team. She asked if I had received any developers funding and I actually answered, "none that I know of yet but, would welcome it, if it comes". In fact I made a point of saying three times "Alice on the record", I have no problem receiving funds from developers, etc, etc.... ". Now I feel backed into a corner, if I do receive funds or require assistance in the future my integrity will be in question because the Bulletin have misrepresented me as some kind of virginal candidate, which is not the image or position I want to be in. I also said I saw no problem with what the group was trying to achieve and that it was not a block but simply some older wiser councilors offering a helping hand and some campaign advice to a few potential new chums.

Unfortunately Alice already had her mind made up, they already had the story written, my attempts to represent it as a Chamber of Commerce initiative rather than a Developer backed David Power Block were of no real interest.

I even referred her back to my letter published in the Bulletin some weeks ago defending David but they just weren't interested.

I also responded to Peter Gleeson's request for details of my campaign funding, which he actually had the week before last. They conveniently overlooked it when writing last weeks story and denied receiving it, in spite of the fact that Peter Gleeson Emailed me a thank-you response.

Frankly, I'm a bit miffed that some parties in this whole chain of events don't understand the concept of confidentiality or have the integrity to play things straight.

Anyway it's getting late, and we should probably finish this conversation off in person some time. I would appreciate your advice on which bridges need mending just so I don't miss any. I'm assuming that most people know what the Bulletin is like and hope that people give me the benefit of the doubt, I don't tell lies, perhaps my only failing in all this is I've perhaps been a little naive about the Bulletin's agenda and that of some of the incumbent councilors!

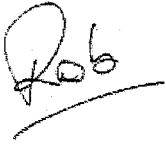
Chris, I'm sincerely sorry for the embarrassment I have caused you and Quadrant, but want to assure you I

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wasn't the leak, by the time the Bulletin called me, they had all the information, they just backed me into a corner with no where to go.

Warmest regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

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