

Case Study: Crash Changes Course of Craig's Life Forever

Craig

Fifty-one-year-old Craig was driving home from work when another car, travelling 100km/h in a 60km/h zone, ran a red light, bounced off the car in front and flipped, landing on the roof of Craig's car.

Craig sustained injuries to his neck and severely damaged his left shoulder.

He had two operations on his shoulder and he continues to have problems with his neck. His pain is constant.

Before the accident, Craig was the State Manager of a golf buggy retailer. His job entailed selling buggies to golf pros and he often teed-off with clients to secure the sale.

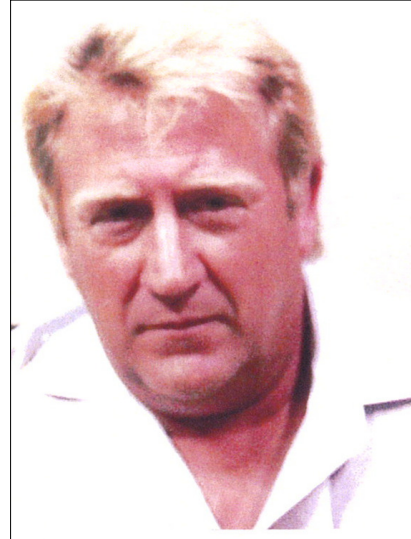
Craig had a handicap of nine, sometimes playing up to three Pro-Am tournaments a week.

Craig was off work for six months following the accident. When he returned, he was unable to play golf with clients and was put on lighter, office based duties.

In January 2006 he was retrenched.

In July he managed to find a new role as an engine salesman but is earning nearly \$20,000 a year less than before the accident.

Craig's injuries have been assessed as being



below the required threshold for compensation. He will get nothing for the pain and suffering caused by the accident.

Craig can no longer play golf and he has had to forfeit his pilot's license as a result of his injuries.

His life has changed completely, through no fault of his own, yet he will not be compensated.

The legal barriers to fair compensation in NSW are too harsh. They need to be changed.

Contact your local MP to make your views known. Nothing will change unless you take action.

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