

BETWEEN	CHRIS YATES
	DANIELLE GALE
PLACE OF INTERVIEW	TELEPHONE
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- Q1 It is Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023, the time is 05:11pm, this is a record of interview between myself Chris Yates from Corporate Investigative Services and Danielle Gale, 18 Oneills Road Melton Victoria 3337, Danielle can I get you to state your name and address for the recorder please?
  A1 Danielle Gale 18 Oneills Melton.
- Q2 No worries. And, I'll just confirm a couple of things, one we're doing this over the phone, correct?
- A2 Yes. Correct.
- Q3 And, the second is before I pushed record I asked you for permission to record and you said yes?
- A3 Yeah. Correct.
- Q4 Okay. So, as you I'm just doing the enquiries for the insurance in relation to your friend Crystal Perry's burglary?
- A4 Yep.
- Q5 The date of that was a while ago now?
- A5 Yeah. It was a while back.
- Q6 I will have to get that exactly, while I get the date can you just tell me what you know about that if anything?
- A6 Yes. So, I was at home with Savannah her daughter, and then myself and my housemate Andrew Robinson was with me, and because we came back to the house and then we went back to her house and as we went back to her house we discovered that she was broken into.

## Q7 Okay. So, when did her daughter arrive at your house?

A7 Was in the morning cause, I remember I had her pretty much the whole day.

## Q8 Okay. And, what was Chrystal doing?

A8 To be honest I can't be hundred percent sure because it was such a while back.

## Q9 Yep.

A9 Yeah. I don't know if she was running errands or I'm not sure, I can't really remember to be honest, but I just remember having Savannah that day so she would have had something on or to do.

## Q10 No worries. Is that normal, does that happen?

A10 Yeah. It's normal, yeah, that's normal.

#### Q11 Do you remember roughly what time she came back?

- A11 I just remember it being dark when we got to her house, so I don't know the exact time but I do remember that day had ended.
- Q12 Okay. So, correct me if I'm wrong cause, I don't want to put words into your mouth - -
- A12 Yep.
- Q13 --- so, the best of your recollection she's come back and then you've straight away gone to her house?
- A13 Yeah. Pretty much. Yeah. Well actually I think she had food shopping in the car so then yeah, so we pretty much got back while she had the food shopping in the car.

#### Q14 Okay. And, how come you went with?

A14 I would have been lending the car, I don't know. We're quite close so we hang out a lot - - -

## Q15 Yep.

A15 - - - so, sometimes she lends me her car cause, I'm without a car at the moment or I just would have been going back there for a little bit to hang out.

#### Q16 Yep.

- A16 Can't be a hundred percent but - -
- Q17 So, when you say lending her car so you're borrowing hers?
- A17 Yeah. So, yes, sometimes she'll lend me it, yeah.
- Q18 Were having a lend of hers. Okay?
- A18 Yep.
- Q19 And, who went back to Chrystal's place?
- A19 Myself, Andrew, Savannah her daughter and Chrystal.

## Q20 All of you?

- A20 Yep.
- Q21 Okay. And, it was dark. Okay?
- A21 Yeah.
- Q22 And, then what happened - -
- A22 Yeah. I can't remember the time, just it being dark.
- Q23 That's all right. Yeah. As I said it was a while ago, let me just get the right date, okay, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022?
- A23 Is that when it was, I knew it was a while back.
- Q24 Yep. That's what I've got, okay, so what happened once you arrived?

A24 She just – I can't remember if she – think she might have, you know how sometimes you can just get sense that somethings not right?

## Q25 Yep.

A25 Yeah. So, she just realised something wasn't right and we realised the garage door was up a little bit and then obviously once we entered the house there was just a whole heap of stuff taken.

#### Q26 Did you all go into together or did she go in first?

- A26 I think we were pretty much together, I can't remember exactly who went in first.
- Q27 Yep. Now, when I say when I like I'm not worried about who's first through the door what I mean is did you all go in at the same time or did someone else go in for a couple of minutes first?
- A27 Yeah. We were all there together.

#### Q28 Yeah.

A28 We were all there together. I was getting the shopping out of the car - - -

#### Q29 Yep.

A29 - - - and then I was with her reaction, like what, and then it was like put the shopping on hold for a second and then, yeah, we discovered the majority. I remember first remembering her most of her tools in the garage were gone.

#### Q30 All right. Do you remember seeing any damage?

- A30 I think might have been damage, I don't want to say something cause, I can't be a hundred percent sure, but I think there might have been damage to a door maybe. Yeah. I can't remember to be honest, sorry.
- Q31 That's all right. Like an interior door or an exterior door, like a door that was somewhere inside the house or one that leads into the house?
- A31 No. It leads into the house.

## Q32 Okay.

- A32 I feel like it was a garage door, might have been.
- Q33 Yep. Right. So, while you had Chrystal's daughter during the day, do you remember if you did anything or just chilled at home?
- A33 Can't be hundred sure but majority of the time we just I just stayed at home so she would've been playing with her Xbox or something.

## Q34 Yeah.

A34 So, I probably would've just been at home.

#### Q35 What does she play on the Xbox?

A35 I mean not on the Xbox the Nintendo switch, the super Mario brothers.

#### Q36 I miss super Mario card?

A36 I've got that game cause, I play I think its Mario brother, it's called a different game but it's just exactly like that, you know that one?

## Q37 Yep.

A37 Yeah. But then she accidently deleted my level that I'd passed and I had to restart, it was a nightmare.

#### Q38 Especially if you've made it right to the end?

A38 Sorry?

## Q39 Especially if you've made it quite far?

A39 Yeah. Especially cause, my sister was the one that passed majority of levels.

# Q40 Okay. All right. So, there is an invoice that has your name on it, can you tell me about that?

A40 Yeah. So, as I mentioned we are quite close and it was a few years back I think it would have been, I actually completely forgot what had happened, but it was when we at the register she had to – I can't remember why she had to run out or if it was a just phone call or if it was Savannah, I don't know I'm not sure but she had to quickly run out from the desk and I stayed at the desk and they didn't know what to do with the receipt or whatever, so I said to just put it in my name. Because we were so close I thought if she needed to take it back or whatever she could just, I could go with her.

#### Q41 Yep.

A41 Yeah.

- Q42 So, it was in your name, did you pay for it as well or did she pay for it or put it in your name?
- A42 Yeah. Chrystal paid for it.

## Q43 Okay.

A43 Yeah. Chrystal paid for it. She just wasn't at the desk at the time to give her details so I just thought, yeah.

## Q44 Okay.

A44 Yeah.

## Q45 Okay. Do you remember what you had for dinner that night?

A45 No way, I would not have a clue.

## Q46 Okay. Let me try that differently?

- A46 I probably wouldn't even remember if you asked me what I had for dinner last week.
- Q47 Yeah. That's all right. What I mean is do you remember if you had dinner before or after Chrystal got back to pick up the daughter?
- A47 No. Wouldn't have a clue.

#### Q48 Okay. Just gotta make sure I ask you everything cause, I don't want my - -

A48 That's okay.

Q49	Okay. Yeah. That looks like all they wanted me to ask you, so is there anything else you can think of that I should know that I haven't asked the right question?
A49	No.
Q50	All right. So, there's nothing sitting there wanting to tell me but I just didn't give you the opportunity?
A50	No.
Q51	All right. Do you agree the time is 05:20pm, or have you got that in one minute or so at your end?
A51	Yeah. I agree.
<b>Q52</b> A52	Okay. That's the end of my questions, thanks for your time? No worries.

## **INTERVIEW CONCLUDED AT 05:20PM**