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Care, Cure and the Dementia Experience - A Global Challenge



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***WE CAN ALL LIVE
WELL, EVEN
PEOPLE WITH
DEMENTIA***

**I AM LIVING PROOF IT IS POSSIBLE TO
LIVE WELL WITH DEMENTIA**



WHO IS MICK CARMODY?

- Personal history
- My career
- My family
- My hobbies

**I AM SO MUCH MORE
THAN DEMENTIA...**



THE ROAD TO DIAGNOSIS

- **Why did I seek medical advice?**
- **How long to a diagnosis of dementia**
- **What were the hurdles**
- **Diagnosis**



NONE OF THIS MADE ME HAPPY!



**LIKE EVERYONE
ELSE...**

**I WAS ALSO TOLD
TO GO HOME AND
GIVE UP!**

WRONG!

LIFE AFTER DIAGNOSIS

- **The early days**
- **What support, if any, initially offered**
- **What support I have found**
 - Alzheimer's Australia
 - Dementia Alliance International



WHY I SPEAK OUT



**BECAUSE, AS THERE IS NO CURE, I
WANT TO BE SUPPORTED TO LIVE AS
WELL AS POSSIBLE**

DAI VISION:

***A WORLD WHERE A PERSON WITH
DEMENTIA CONTINUES TO BE
FULLY VALUED.***



DAI SUPPORT GROUPS



- DAI **Café Le Brain** in Australia is the 3rd Wednesday of each month. For more information and to register, go to the DAI Events page
- DAI Australian **Online support groups** run each Tuesday at 1pm; For more information and to register, go to
- We have a calendar on the **EVENTS** page of the website and to register at

<http://www.infodai.org/events/>

THANK YOU



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