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Quadriplegic Centre,
Selby Street,
SHENTON PARK, WEST AUST. 6008
Christmas, 1979.

Dear Friends,

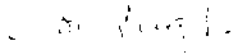
Season's greetings for 1979, from sunny Perth. The year's been difficult and unpleasant for me because of a broken neck, received while crossing the Nullabor Desert on December 22, 1978.

The driver fell asleep and rolled the car. I was flown back to Perth where X-Rays indicated that I would remain paralyzed and in a wheelchair. Assistance in coping has been provided by many people; my parents, brother and his wife, girlfriend Janet, numerous "Aussie" visitors. Located now in the "Quad Centre", I've returned to work as Curriculum Coordinator of Hamilton High School, driving myself thirty miles a day. I've joined a local Lions Club and go out three or four evenings a week as well as during the day. Leisure activities are now desk orientated; reading, writing, playing games or amateur radio. T.V. is avoided.

Future plans, I hope, will include purchase of a home and an occasional visit to Canada, continued employment and eventually marriage.

Best wishes for the New Year. I value your correspondence and hope that you will keep in touch.

Yours Sincerely,


DON PUGH.