My spouse and I live in the Whitsundays.

Our house is of recent cyclone resistant construction and out of the way of flooding. <u>In fact we are not even covered for flooding</u>.

We have been with the same company since Melbourne days and have never made a claim.

Despite this, every year we have to fight to get a small discount but our premiums have still **tripled in the last 7 year**s.

If premiums rise any further we will have to "self-insure" because we are pensioners and cannot afford these crazy premiums.

If we then have a claim, the government and community will have to come to our rescue – which defeats the whole purpose of having insurance.

Good risks like ours should be priced accordingly so that bad risks can bear the cost.