

This week we celebrate the birth of a nation.

Now we need births to save our nation.

AN ALARMING DECLINE

Australia is suffering an alarming decline in our birth rate. The current birth rate is only 1.76 per fertile female. Just to maintain our present population this needs to go up to 2.1. The difference between 1.76 and 2.1 is 25,000 (approx) fewer Australians every year. In other words we are losing the equivalent of more than all Australians killed in World War Two every year!

THE LIFE WE TAKE FOR GRANTED

This week we rightly celebrate the remembrance of the Australians who fought and died to secure the way of life we so routinely take for granted.

STATISTICALLY

It is impossible to estimate how many more Australians we would have today if all those soldiers somehow survived, came home and had families. It could possibly be up to half a million.

YOU MAY BE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS PROBLEM

Is this you? You are a couple in a stable relationship. You have had your kids. They are no longer babies and are all going to school, probably late primary or secondary. Your job/s is/are secure and your mortgage is fairly under control. There is little evidence for an interest rate blow-

out or recession coming. Comfort zone stuff. You may even believe that you have already done your bit for this country's population.

ANOTHER CHILD

While you are still young and fertile why not think about having another child? A child for your country. It is a positive contribution that you can make and be very proud of. At present the current birth-rate is 1.76 per female. To just maintain our current population this has to go up to 2.1 per female. Just think 2.1 – Two Up. Why not play Two Up?

CONSIDER THIS

So please consider putting off your McMansion or your home cinema or flash holiday, and do something that will help underpin this nation of which we are so proud. You will be blessed with a bundle of joy who will contribute to the future prosperity of this great country. Whatever the child may be – plumber, hairdresser, pilot

or brain surgeon – it doesn't really matter. If enough people get in to this spirit, we can rejuvenate our population.

The future of our country is really in our hands. We can make a difference if enough of us do this.



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