

Killer still free

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The partner of a man killed in Elizabeth Bay last month has made a plea for anyone with information about the murder to come forward.

It is over a month since 53 year old Redfern teacher, Kenneth Brennan, (below) was stabbed to death and there are no leads on the case.

Brennan's partner of five years, NP215, is distraught that the killer is still free and has called for anyone who knows anything about the murder to contact Kings Cross detectives.



A postmortem suggested Brennan was killed between 5.30-11.30 pm on Sunday, June 11.

NP215 told the Star that he is trying to re-

build his life after the ordeal of the last few weeks.

He last saw Brennan around 10pm on the Saturday. NP215 stayed with friends until Monday, returning home at around 5.20pm.

"As I walked towards the flat I noticed that the venetian blinds were up so people could see straight into the bedroom. I also noticed the drapes in the lounge room were not fully closed," said NP215. "The lights were also very dim and I wondered if Ken had someone there with him."

He caught the lift up to their apartment, opened the screen door and unlocked the front door. The first thing he did was turn the dimmer switch up to brighten the apartment.

"I glanced down the hallway and there was stuff all over the walls. At first I thought it was dirt. I walked down the hallway a bit further and walked into the lounge. I looked into the bedroom and the bed and walls were splattered with blood.

"I took two steps back out of the bedroom and saw Ken lying in a pool of blood on the lounge room floor."

NP215 said he went into "complete shock".

"There was blood everywhere. I knew Ken was dead straight away as there was blood coming out of his mouth and all over his face and his eyes were wide open and staring.

"I didn't touch Ken. I just wanted to get out. When I went to the door it was still deadlocked so whoever had been there must have got out the

front of the flat and climbed down. I slammed the door behind me and caught the lift to the bottom of the building then I ran all the way to Kings Cross Police Station."

NP215 collapsed on the floor at the police station, and after being given a hot drink was taken to St Vincents Hospital.

He said the following week was a nightmare. "Every day I had to be at the police station, sometimes for eight hours and more. They [the police] left me alone on the Friday."

NP215 is adamant people must have seen Brennan leaving the King Steam sauna in Oxford Street on Sunday evening. Police believe he either left with someone, picked someone up on the way home or was followed.

"People are frightened," says NP215. "I wish they would come forward."

NP215 says Brennan must have brought the person or persons back to the flat where they apparently had sex. However, the night ended in a frenzied attack. Brennan was stabbed repeatedly with a carving knife taken from the kitchen. The killer then bashed Brennan with a heavy object until his face was unrecognisable.

"He [the killer] must have stabbed



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While it may seem as if HIV/AIDS organisations are boys' own territory, there are many lesbians working at the forefront. Pictured from left are the dykes at the Australian Federation of AIDS Organisations' office in Bligh Street - publications officer Cairo Walker, World AIDS Day co-ordinator 1296 sub-editor Megan Nicholson and part-time book keeper Kerrie Cheers.

him in the bedroom and Ken tried to fight him off and they ended up in the lounge. The apartment looked as though there had been a mass murder. The police said he had been stabbed numerous times."

The police have described the attack as "ferocious" and say there was blood in almost every room of the apartment.

However, says NP215, the killer left his underpants behind in the bedroom, along with the carving knife.

NP215 is staying with a friend. He

is finding it hard to sleep at night and at times has felt on the verge of a nervous breakdown. "I said to my friend last night that I wanted to go home to Ken. My friend had to tell me that Ken was not there anymore."

Police will set up an information caravan at Taylor Square from 4pm-2am, Thursday, July 20, and from 11am-2am, Saturday and Sunday, July 22 and 23. People with information are asked to contact the police at the caravan or phone Kings Cross detectives on (02) 265 6250.

Battle looms for dyke bikers

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A pitched battle over transgender membership is threatening to split

There is talk about a split in the organisation with the more radical pro-transgender dykes starting their own bike club.

In May the question, "Are we prepared to admit non-female born lesbians as members of Dykes on Bikes Inc?", was put to an ordinary

asked me if I was born with a dick or a cunt or neither or both. No-one dropped my Y-fronts or checked my head to see what I was fantasising

members of DOB will do the right thing and reject any anti-transgender move," said Griffin.

The next DOB members' meeting