

## WAVES News

### Media Watch - Week to 22/8/2015

- 17 Aug. Courier Mail: [Bob Cole travelled to Switzerland for euthanasia 18 months after his wife](#)
- 17 Aug. The Bulletin (Rockhampton): [READERS VIEWS: On whether we should have euthanasia or not](#). Seven contributions, all in favour.
- 17 Aug. Also published in Mackay [Daily Mercury](#).
- 17 Aug. Daily Telegraph. [Forget expense accounts. Politicians need to talk about voluntary euthanasia](#). Prue Miller gives her take on the Singer/Fisher debate.
- 17 Aug. 720ABC Perth: [Christian Horgan reviews 'Last Cab to Darwin'](#)
- More reviews of Last Cab to Darwin in [Hawkesbury Gazette](#), [Retiree Magazine](#), [Australian Arts Review](#).
- 17 Aug. The Examiner (Tas): Letter to editor by A. R. Trounson. Scroll to end for full text.
- 19 Aug. The Age: [Dying with Dignity campaigner Ray Godbold farewelled by family](#). Ray, a palliative care nurse campaigned for VAD. The day before he slipped away, he made the decision to end his life. He had his life-ending medication – procured publicly from Dr Rodney Syme – but he was physically unable to swallow. Now his family takes up the mantle.
- 19 Aug. Sunshine Coast Daily: Letter to the editor from Marshall Perron. Scroll to end for full text.
- 20 Aug. SMH: [Euthanasia's slippery slope](#) by Charles Lane (An opinion writer for the Washington Post). A very negative opinion piece.
- 20 Aug. ABC Darwin TV News: [NT Health Minister John Elferink says money spent treating sick elderly should be spent on babies](#)
- 21 Aug. [NT News: Minister's doubts over paying for sick seniors](#). NT Health Minister John Elferink is reported as saying it might be time to end expensive treatment for sick seniors and instead divert those resources to children.
- 22 Aug. NT News: Online responses to the above. Scroll to end for scan of these thanks to Judy Dent.

Shadow Assistant Treasurer, Andrew Leigh (Federal MP for Fraser) who is a known supporter, posted a speech on "[Voluntary Euthanasia](#)" on his website. It is not clear but looks like this was delivered in the House of Representatives on Aug 17.