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To all concerned,

I would like to put my whole support behind the move to allow fathers access to their children half of each week or something similar that they have their children for the same time as the mothers or what can be worked out to have similar time or equal time per month, every father should be treated as equal to the mother in sharing the child with the mother, what right has any mother to think she should have sole access to a child when the father has a battle just to see his child. these women are only the dregs of society & should be treated like they are.

The men that are not quite up to the mark then the decision should be settled in court so he sees his children as much as possible, these women should remember, if

was they who chase the father of their children.

also grandparents rights,

all grandparents should have the same equal rights as the parents of the children, grandparents love & adore their grandchildren, can fill in for the parents, and children need someone to turn to, for that extra love & understanding they to know something is wrong. When parents split up, I've always said, children are the ones who suffer most & do not understand, even the smallest child longs to be with the other parent at some time, these very selfish parents.

what hurts me most of all is when there is a De facto in the picture and his family, they somehow take over from the natural father, who buys the xmas present for the xmas Tree. Yes the father, and who goes along & enjoys the night; Yes the De facto & his family take over & fill the shoes of the father & the grandparents, at Birthdays parties the De facto ~~go~~ & parents go to enjoy the child's party, drink to

the child's health etc, yet they are
of no relation to the child what so ever
the father & natural grandparents are
always getting hurt seeing these defects
always in the picture, while the real
grandparents are just left to look on
& see strangers making a fuss of your
grandchild, grandparents should not
always have to go through the court
system it should be their right to
see their grandchildren all the time
they play a very important roll in the
children's lives.

Hoping you can read this &
hoping it will give good support
to the fathers & grandparents, with
my support. I guess I could go on
~~page after page~~, with complaints
I hear from some fathers & how they are
treated by these women.

Yours faithfully.

James Sutton.

Grand mother.