

Kirsty MacColl

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My daughter Kirsty MacColl, the highly talented and respected singer-songwriter was killed by a speedboat while scuba diving with her two sons in Cozumel, Mexico in December 2000. She was 41 years old. The full details of the tragedy and the campaign are on our web site:

www.justiceforkirsty.org.

The high-powered speedboat, the *Percalito*, is owned and captained by supermarket multi millionaire **Guillermo Gonzalez Nova**, who was on board with his two sons and grand children at the time when the boat killed Kirsty.

The *Percalito* was in an area designated as a National Maritime Park, where scuba divers and their support boats & crew are welcome from around the world. All other powered boats - including speedboats - are excluded. Witnesses said the *Percalito* was travelling at up to 20 knots.

Gonzalez Nova claims he gave permission to a deckhand, **Jose Cen Yam**, to drive the boat despite the fact that this person was not qualified and had not driven the boat before. Cen Yam was said to be at the controls of the *Percalito* when it killed Kirsty, but a witness states he was at the rear of the boat!

In court, Cen Yam confessed that:

*He was confused between his right and left hands.
He didn't know what a 'knot' meant in terms of speed.
Someone was leaning over his windscreen and blocking his view at the time of the accident.*

Kirsty was killed by the speedboat's propeller as she and her sons surfaced from the dive. One of her sons was also injured but no one offered any assistance! After two years, Cen Yam was found guilty of culpable homicide and fined £61 with £1,460 damages awarded to Kirsty's sons. Cen Yam has never been to jail and remains at liberty.

My family & friends and Kirsty's fans think these sentences are a travesty of justice.

Was Kirsty's life only worth £61?

We believe the person who carries the greatest culpability is the captain Gonzalez Nova who has never been charged, not even with perjury or perverting the course of justice.

WEALTH + POWER + CORRUPTION = IMPUNITY

Over the past three years President Fox and the Mexican Attorney General have repeatedly promised justice, but all I have experienced is delay after delay, obstruction and corruption - despite the full support of the British Government.

We hope that the new administration of President Filipe Calderon will be able to deliver true, not token, justice.

This is a campaign for justice that the family has to fund. Please help by sending a donation to

The Kirsty MacColl Fund for Justice
63 Gunnersbury Lane
London W3 8HG

Thank you for your support

Jean MacColl

Justice for Kirsty MacColl Campaign

Dear President Calderon,

Having heard of the tragic death of Kirsty MacColl, I call upon the Mexican authorities to:

- * Implement an immediate and thorough judicial review of the case to determine who really killed Kirsty MacColl
- * Put an end to the six years of broken promises of the Fox administration
- * Investigate why Gonzalez Nova as captain of the vessel has not been charged and bought to trial, not even for perjury
- * Ensure that those found responsible are punished according to the gravity of the offences - no more token fines and sentences
- * Guarantee local authorities implement meaningful controls to ensure the safety of all divers in restricted areas

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Signed



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