

Facebook allegations involving Swami Satyananda & Swami Niranjan

These comments are replies to the initial apology posted ...

APD Swami **Niranjanananda** Saraswati was born in Rajnandgaon (Cnhattisgarh) in 1960. Guided by his guru, Swami **Satyananda** Saraswati, from birth, at the age of four he came to live with him at the Bihar School of Yoga in Munger. It would be difficult to beleive that he knew nothing of the going ons
Like · 2 · 16 hours ago

APZ Even if he knew nothing before Mangrove almost collapsed, he certainly did then, as he replied to a number of letters, suggesting people 'not live in the past'.
Like · 14 hours ago



Sagar Julie O'Brien Yes
Like · 51 minutes ago

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APD how does anyone kow it is a safe place for children.....All the past members beleived that it was the safest place in the whole world for children... We now know that **Satyananda** as well as Akhananda were reported to be sexually
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APD reported to be sexually abusing children

Lyndall White In the interest of the honest recording of history and open discussion I am posting this on the Mangrove Mountain Face Book page for original members of the Satyananda ashram. I am hoping that in your documentation of Mangrove Mountain Ashram that you will acknowledge and give a truthful account of the role Swami Satyavedananda played in establishing Satyananda Ashram in Australia.

My husband Phillip and myself were involved in the purchase of the land on which mangrove Mountain Ashram now stands and I would like to share with you the role that Swami Satyavedananda, **AQA** and **AQB** played

in this.

The young Swami Satyavedananda had recently returned from India and under the guidance of Swami Satyananda had started teaching Yoga in Manly. Swami AQA (then known as AQA) became a student of Satyavedananda and was so impressed by him that she and AQB brought him to our farm at Uki, NSW with a proposition to buy the land at Mangrove Mountain to start an Ashram.

We spent time with the three discussing the proposition and were confident that Satyavedananda's vision for the Ashram was founded on a great understanding of the history, knowledge of the values of spiritual traditions associated with set up of such as project.

We had total faith that Swami Satyavedananda was the right person to start the Ashram here in Australia. In saying this I feel that I should also state that we would NOT have lent the money to any other person as we were not flush with money ourselves.

Satyavedananda started the ashram from humble beginnings and ran live in intensives on the land. He introduced the Satyananda wisdom to Australia in a very pristine and pure nature.

Unfortunately for the Ashram, Swami Akanunda was sent to take over from Satyavedananda and the unfortunate history of pedophilia and greed is now part of the history of the Ashram.

As part of the takeover and power struggles that ensued in this change of leadership I believe that Swami Satyavedananda was unfairly defamed and ostracised from the Ashram and I would hope that a truthful account of his role in the Ashram in Australia will be acknowledged in print. Like · Reply · 10 · February 28 at 8:44am



Alecia Buchanan Thank you for this... how wonderful that now as one of the children treated badly at Mangrove I can start to put more pieces together, make more sense of it all, see the good as well as the bad. I really appreciate the effort you took to add this background information. Like · 5 · February 28 at 10:57am



Lyndall White Dear Alecia, It was a great pity that you had to suffer in the way you did. Like many organisations it is the failings of humans and not the aims that cause the problems. I hope you do find healing from this discussion. In the beginning the Ashram was a beautiful place, and there were many dedicated people who were part of it. I am sure that today there are also many who only wish the best for all who are able to attend classes etc. It has been a very brave and honourable move by those in power to open this up for conversation and I hope that the outcome will bring about the healing of all those who have suffered in various ways. Like · 4 · February 28 at 1:00pm



Alecia Buchanan I would add ... perhaps slightly more brave and honourable is the willingness of my brothers and sisters who were humiliated to now speak openly about the treatment of their bodies, minds and hearts. I am hoping 'those in power' whomever they may be take the really brave step

to formalise a 'sorry day' or similar so we can do this thing properly. Words on a cyber page can only go so far
 Unlike · 7 · February 28 at 4:09pm



Alecia Buchanan Do you know why the decision was made to replace Satyavedananda with Akhandananda?
 Like · 1 · February 28 at 4:14pm



Lyndall White I only know that Swami Satyananda sent Akhandananda out to Mangrove Mtn. If you would like to contact Satyavednanda directly to find out further information please message me and I will give you the link.
 Like · 1 · February 28 at 4:22pm



I believe that everything Lyndall White said is true. Satyavedananda was not corrupt and therefore was not as useful to Satyananda. As part of the takeover and power struggles that ensued in this change of leadership I believe that Swami Satyavedananda was unfairly defamed and ostracised from the Ashram and I would hope that a truthful account of his role in the Ashram in Australia will be acknowledged in print.

Alecia Buchanan I would like one thing more to be addressed. I understand this may upset many, including some of my dearest friends. But I need to know how much Satyananda himself was aware and complicit in all this. I'll start by telling another part of my story. As mentioned before us kids were the 'privileged cleaners' of 'the back rooms' where no-one had access but the extreme elite. During one of Satyananda's visits I was the main cleaner. I was 14-15yrs. Of course this is where and when most of it happened ie being used by Akhandananda for his sexual pleasure. It never occurred while S was there (he'd often just walked outside, be immediately flocked by disciples, I'd be summoned inside by Shishy, etc) But it was right under his nose. I would be directed VERY FIRMLY on occasions by Shishy to NOT clean the fridge (full of alcohol ... I checked) or NOT to change the sheets on this that or the other beds. S always travelled with a young female disciple and they slept in the same room, that's all I know. There was a TV there and often the smell of beedies (as I recognised later) and some have suggested dope smoking but I was too young to recognise it and wouldn't confirm that. I am certain that during these visits Shishy was doing a lot of running around covering up .. ("DONT clean that cupboard today, DONT do the bathroom today etc etc) Anyway that's my story. Whenever I see Satyananda's image today I need to immediately 'toughen up inside' because it brings these memories and more back. I am truly sorry to all my loved friends who I know are still devotees, and I will always respect your choices. But my truth is my truth. Thank you for reading this. xx Alecia aka Swami Shantibodhananda Saraswati aka Bible
 Like · Reply · 9 · March 1 at 1:18pm



I cleaned Akhandananda and Satyananda's van..beer caps and ash...the Hindu mafia
 Like · 1 · March 1 at 1:28pm · Edited



We know how good the little kid felt after he yelled

"The Emperor Has No Clothes"!!!!Like · 2 · March 1 at 1:30pm

APD

He couldnt do anything about Akhananda as he was in the same boat and Akhananda knew all about himLike · 16 hours ago

APD

SHISHY

Like · 16 hours ago

APP

I'd find it easier to believe this if you gave some people their money back.Like · Reply · 3 · February 27 at 2:27pm

APP

Also after it all happened they changed the system so that many people who had renounced their entire lives and been sannyasins for years no longer counted as anything in the Ashram. The title of Swami that they had earned no longer counted as anything.Like · 4 · February 28 at 12:06pm

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